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TIME-TABLE.

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		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.
Kowloon	Dep.	6.40	8.05	8.30	9.10	10.00	10.00	1.15	2.35	3.00	4.30
Yau Ma Tei	Dep.	6.49	8.14	8.39	9.19	10.09	10.09	1.24	2.44	3.09	4.39
Shatin	Dep.	7.01	8.26	8.51	9.31	10.21	10.21	1.36	2.56	3.21	4.51
Ma On Shan	Dep.	7.13	8.38	9.03	9.43	10.33	10.33	1.48	3.08	3.33	5.03
Tai Po	Dep.	7.20	8.45	9.10	9.50	10.40	10.40	1.55	3.15	3.40	5.10
Tai Po Market	Dep.	7.30	8.55	9.20	10.00	10.50	10.50	2.01	3.21	3.46	5.16
Fanning	Dep.	7.35	9.00	9.25	10.05	10.55	10.55	2.06	3.26	3.51	5.21
Shamshui	Dep.	7.41	9.06	9.31	10.11	11.01	11.01	2.12	3.32	3.57	5.27
Canton	Arr.	8.48	9.73	9.98	10.38	11.28	11.28	3.40	4.40	5.05	6.35

		DOWN TRAINS									
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Shamshui	Arr.	7.18	8.05	10.35	11.05	11.35	12.05	12.35	13.05	13.35	14.05
Shamshui	Dep.	7.25	8.12	10.42	11.12	11.42	12.12	12.42	13.12	13.42	14.12
Fanning	Dep.	7.30	8.18	10.48	11.18	11.48	12.18	12.48	13.18	13.48	14.18
Tai Po Market	Dep.	7.40	8.28	10.58	11.28	11.58	12.28	12.58	13.28	13.58	14.28
Tai Po	Dep.	7.44	8.31	11.01	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ma On Shan	Dep.	7.57	8.44	11.14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shatin	Dep.	8.11	8.58	11.28	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	Dep.	8.17	9.02	11.32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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CABINET AND DOG RACING.

POLICE REPORTS TO BE DISCUSSED.

JUVENILE BETTING.

"I have investigated the question of disorder at greyhound racing tracks and I shall be able to report to the House of Commons what the reports of the police throughout the country say on the matter," said the Home Secretary, Sir Wm. Joynson-Hicks.

He was replying at the Home Office to a deputation representing the National Greyhound Racing Club and the National Greyhound Society. The deputation asked that the Government should not give facilities to Col. Buchanan's Bill for the licensing of greyhound racing tracks by local authorities.

Animated Roulette Board.

Sir William added that he did not suggest that in the big centres of greyhound racing there was any disorder on the course. The main idea that had entered the minds of so many people was that greyhound racing was started with the view of being an "animated roulette board." He continued:

If that were the case and were proved, we should naturally as custodians of the morals and welfare of the people have to take one view of the matter. On the other hand, if we were satisfied that this was a bona-fide sport exactly in the same way as horse racing is a sport then we should naturally be compelled to take a different view.

For The Multitude.

So far as this was a sport for the multitude, in which working men could take their share, even more perhaps than they could in horse racing, the Government would not hinder it.

All the facts must be put before Cabinet before any decision was arrived at. He thought that the sooner Parliament took steps to stop juvenile betting as far as possible the better.

The deputation was headed by Lord Asquith. It represented the financial and sporting side of greyhound racing.

About 40 Tracks.

Lord Asquith said that the report that there were 175 tracks throughout the country was untrue. There were about 40 tracks actually running or starting. Regarding juvenile betting, he said:

We have not found it on the tracks that have been started. We shall have no objection to the clause in the Bill, which we understand you are preparing, preventing juveniles from betting, provided that it extends to betting on all sports and does not select one sport.

Investigation, he said, had shown that drinking had diminished in the neighbourhood of all big courses. Three or four million people had seen the races in the year, and there was only one case, he believed, where a disturbance took place.

After stating that the King of Spain, when at the White City, had said greyhound racing was the greatest cure for anarchy, he had even seen Lord Asquith said:

"Betting generally cannot be stopped in this country. It is almost the inheritance of the Englishman. Greyhound racing has been the greatest curse possible to street-corner betting."

If the totalisator is brought in for horse racing it may be desirable at a later date to consider whether it would be advisable to apply it to greyhound racing, and our own idea is that it would be a good thing.

RETORT TO MR. CHURCHILL.

Mr. E. J. Fox, president-elect of the National Federation of Iron and Steel Manufacturers, at the annual dinner of the Federation in London said that the Chancellor of the Exchequer consorted them for the present burdens of taxation by stating that his taxes were only the whips of Solomon as compared with the scorpions of Rehoboth, which he suggested would be the fate of industrialists if the present Opposition succeeded to office.

Unless, remarked Mr. Fox, something was done quickly to assist the basic industries, little would remain but the skeletons of a great past to withstand either torture.

ETHYL PETROL.

LEAD DUST DANGER IN STREETS.

EFFECT ON WORKERS' HEALTH.

MEDICAL REPORT.

Facts of the very gravest importance in connection with the health of the public were revealed in the medical report on ethyl petrol prepared for *The Daily Mail* by Dr. Myer Coplans, D.S.O., O.B.E., a doctor eminent in research work. It is based on his own personal experiments and the very valuable data supplied by the Research Association of British Motor and Allied Manufacturers, who carried out a highly scientific analysis of exhaust gases from motor engines.

Conclusions arrived at as the result of these investigations, which have occupied over nine weeks and are dealt with in the first section of Dr. Coplans' report, may be summarised as follows:

That lead definitely entered the system of one of the mechanics engaged in work of dismantling the engines used in the *Daily Mail* road trials of ethyl petrol and the stationary engines used in the research work into exhaust gases.

That the periodical medical examinations of the mechanics during their work was not only justified but would also have had to be maintained had their exposure to the action of leaded petrol been continued.

Conditions in narrow streets with tall buildings in the neighbourhood of traffic blocks, or in vehicles, tunnels, become a matter of the greatest concern in this densely populated country.

Lead Dust Sticky.

In industrial enterprises, the removal of lead dust can only be effectively achieved by powerfully driven fans or suction apparatus. In garages, tunnels, or open spaces, this dust, which is of a heavy nature, tends to hang in the atmosphere within the breathing level of man.

It is known that lead dust, being of a sticky nature, will, in the presence of slight moisture, tend to adhere to the surface on which it deposits. From the ground will result surface pollution of water supplies if the dust contains compounds of a water-soluble nature.

DICK TURPIN IN A TRAIN.

FAMOUS EXPRESS HOLD-UP.

PASSENGERS ROBBED.

New York, April 17th. Passengers who travelled last night by the Overland Limited, the famous express train running from Chicago to the Pacific Coast, made the acquaintance of a highly enterprising modern highwayman.

Scarcely had the train left the North-Western station than a man wearing a cloth mask appeared in the observation coach, flourishing a revolver and shouting: "Hands up!" He herded a dozen or more men and women on to the platform at the end of the train and took their handbags, purses, watches, rings, and other jewellery.

Leap Into Darkness.

Having secured \$1,000 in cash and many valuables, he pulled the emergency cord. The train, which had attained a speed of 40 miles an hour, halted, and the modern Dick Turpin vaulted over the railings of the platform and disappeared in the darkness in the outskirts of Chicago.

His victims, including several bankers and politicians, rushed into the Pullman coaches ahead, shouting: "A hold-up!" Mail and parcel post guards seized their machine guns, expecting a wholesale attack by robbers. But there was only one robber, and he had disappeared, so the train proceeded on its way.

DAME ETHEL SMYTH 70.

Dame Ethel Smyth, the woman composer, was 70 last month. In her honour the B.B.C. will, on May 20th, provide a programme of her chamber music in the afternoon and a performance of her Mass in D minor in the evening.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

Today (May 19th).

Golf Bogey Pool, Fanning Lane, Crawford, Ltd., 6th ordinary yearly meeting, noon.
Chinese Athletic Association Football Dinner Yee Wo Restaurant, 7.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Sorrel and Son."
World Theatre: "Diplomacy" at 5.15 and 9.20 "Lock Year Bridge" at 2.30 and 7.15.

Star Theatre: "The Heart of Salome."
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Siberia (Lahore). Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Hakodate Maru), 9.30 a.m.; Europe via Marseilles (President Wilson), 5 p.m.

Sunday (May 20th).

Golf: Bogey Pool, Fanning Lane.
Queen's Theatre: "Tillie the Toiler."
World Theatre: "The Navigator."
Star Theatre: "The Valley of Hell."

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Monday (May 21st).

Sale of Crown land Kowloon Inland lot No. 1133, 3 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Tillie the Toiler."
World Theatre: "The Navigator."
Star Theatre: "The Valley of Hell."

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Negapatam, papers only (Mirapore). Outward: Europe via Siberia (Mirapore), 8.30 a.m.

Tuesday (May 22nd).

Queen's Theatre: "Les Miracables."
World Theatre: "Padlocked."
Star Theatre: "The Lone Eagle."
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Athos I.), 2.20 p.m.; Europe via Siberia and via San Francisco (President Grant), 9.30 a.m.

Wednesday (May 23rd).

Queen's Theatre: "Les Miracables."
World Theatre: "Padlocked."
Star Theatre: "The Lone Eagle."
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Empire Day.
Opening by H.E. the Officer Administering the Government of Ceylon, C.M.G., City Hall, 5 p.m.

Official Opening St. Peter's Club Bathing Shed Repulse Bay, 3.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Les Miracables."
World Theatre: "The Frontiersman."

Star Theatre: "The Boy Friend."
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Friday (May 25th).

Union Insurance Society of Canton 35th ordinary yearly meeting, 11 a.m.
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., 50th ordinary yearly meeting, 11.15 a.m.

British Traders Insurance Co., Ltd., 82nd ordinary yearly meeting, 11.30 a.m.
Meeting of Creditors of the Hong Kong and Territorial Estates, Ltd., noon.

Property Sale: China Auction Rooms, 3 p.m.
Meeting of the R.H.K. Yacht Club, 6 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Les Miracables."
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SPREAD OF CON- TRACT BRIDGE.

PLAY IT AS A VARIATION
FROM AUCTION.

[By HUGH ELLIOT.]

Contract bridge is a variety of auction bridge which was in existence in London and on the Continent before the war. From Europe it was taken to America; but on neither side of the Atlantic did it show any tendency to spread. In the few restricted circles where it was played its devotees were so enthusiastic that they often refused to play auction bridge at all. Nevertheless, it failed to "catch on," and for a number of years very little was heard of it.

So things went on till a year or two ago it began to rise very suddenly into popular favour. In Paris, in America, and a little later in London it was enthusiastically taken up by the advance guard of card-players, who greeted it as an interesting new member of the whist family of card games. Fifteen years or so of development have enormously improved it, and at length the laws have been standardised. In Paris some of the older codes still survive, but they are dying rapidly, and contract bridge has now attained a uniformity which it has never possessed before.

Added Variety.

How far it will become general in England remains to be seen, but there is no doubt that it has come to stay, and that being so my readers may like to know more about it. I should be sorry to say that it was either a better or worse game than auction; there is ample room for both. The genuine lover of cards must hope that both will continue to flourish, for a pleasing variety is thereby provided.

Anyone who plays auction can in a very short time play contract just as well as the older form. In the play of the cards there is no difference whatever. In bidding there is a great difference externally, but there is no difference in the main feature, which consists in summing up the value of a hand. If a player can sum up his hand at auction he can do so equally at contract; but having done so, he will bid it differently because the scoring is different. The scoring, in short, is the only actual point of difference.

The Scoring.

In contract, clubs and diamonds each count 30 a trick (for each trick over six); hearts and spades count 20 a trick; and no-trumps counts 35 a trick. The game is 100 points instead of 30; so that, starting from love, it still requires five tricks in a minor suit, four in a major, and three in no-trumps, in order to go game.

Now the outstanding feature of contract is that you only score below the line the number of tricks which you contracted for. If you make more than your contract, the surplus tricks are not scored below the line, but as a bonus above the line. Thus, in order to win a game, you have to contract for as many tricks as are needed to make game. If you undertake a contract of three hearts and make four you only score 90 below the line for the three tricks and 50 above it for the fourth; and you therefore do not win the game. The game would have been won by bidding four hearts, when the score would have been 120 below the line, and nothing above. It is chiefly on account of this feature that the bidding at contract differs from that at auction.

Value Of The Rubber.

The value of the rubber is also different. Instead of being 250 it is 500 in the case of three-game rubbers, and 700 in the case of two-game rubbers. Apart from this, the remaining points of difference between the two games resolve themselves into a great difference of penalties for missing a contract, of bonuses for extra tricks when doubled, and in the scoring of honours and slams. The penalties and bonuses are heavily increased, and since the figures both above and below the line are much larger than in auction, the money stakes should be proportionately decreased.

An interesting new feature of contract bridge is that penalties for an unfulfilled contract become more severe for whichever side has won a game. Hence, either side which wins a game is termed "vulnerable"; and if both sides have won a game, they both become vulnerable. As a result, the bidding has to be more cautious. In the first game of the rubber bidding can be fairly free on both sides; in the second game the side which lost the first can still bid freely, but the side which won the first is vulnerable, and must be very chary of overcalling.

"Vulnerable" Penalties.

I shall not go into details of scoring, for the full laws are readily obtainable in London. But I may remark that if one side, being vulnerable, makes a bid which is doubled and misses its contract, the penalty is 200 for the first under-trick, and 400 for every further under-trick; so that, going down (Continued at foot of next column.)

MR. WINE AND MR. DRY.

HUMOURS OF SURNAMES.

[By A GENEALOGIST.]

Time was when our surnames were selected with some reference to our characteristics, and, not infrequently, to our trade.

To-day, for the most part, there is no such pleasing congruity. Carpenter is a parson, Clark is a butcher, Butler is a grocer, Hunter is a shop assistant. Joy is what the Americans delicately call a mortician, and so on.

It comes as a refreshing surprise, therefore, to read that the bandmaster concerned in the Royal Oak court-martial bears a name which I never expected any seagoing man to have—the magnificent almost-too-good-to-be-true name of Barnacle.

Inspired by this discovery, I have made researches and come on some curious facts.

I learned, for instance, that Baker & Co. and Brewer Bros. are both London caterers; that a London decorator is called Christmas; that there is a dental mechanic in Cambridge called Death, and an undertaker in New York called Coffin. Lady Parson, I found, was once a guest at a dinner party where the other diners bore the names of Death, Coffin, Graves, and Tomb. A witness in a matrimonial case in Manchester not long ago bore the name of Cupid. In a village called Swine, near Hull, there once resided a man named Hog who was a dealer in pigs. There is a well-known Fleet-street publicity man called Sells. And there is a large firm of London brewers named Courage—not of Dutch extraction.

Then there are names which are not so much appropriate as unfortunate. An alien organ grinder was fined at Willesden a few months ago for not having his name painted on his van. It then turned out that his name was Peter Stinkovitch. "The law of England he is too much for me," he declared. "My name is Stinkovitch and I will not change him for any man." One of the best-known preachers and writers in Australia bears the name of Boreham, a libel at which so picturesque a preacher can afford to smile. A grocer in Peckham named Davies insisted some years ago on changing his name to Christ; and a man wanted in Paris as a witness was suspected by a police of insolence till he proved that his name really was "Judah" Isacariot.

A search through the London Telephone Directory reveals, among other curious facts, a list of 7 Port-wines, 8 Sherrys, 40 Beers, 1 Wine, 7 Stouts, 14 Gingers, 12 Gins, 27 Waters, 14 Tees, 1 Coffee, 7 Coffees, 5 Drys, 13 Drinkwaters, and 5 Booseys.

20-MILES CHASE.

POLICE IN 2-HOURS HUNT
FOR ALLEGED CAR THIEF.

When Walter Miller, aged 25, no fixed abode, was remanded at Bedford with stealing a motor-car, the property of Mr. Edgar Clayton, a builder, of Harrold, Bedfordshire, it was stated that he was under observation by a constable as a suspected person and was seen to take the car from a parking place and drive away.

An inspector and a constable then gave chase in another car, and after covering 20 miles to Wellingborough they found that they were ten minutes behind their quarry.

At Kettering a point duty policeman said that the man had nearly knocked him over. The Kettering police took up the chase and got in front of the car. Miller then jumped out made for the open country, where he was arrested, the chase having lasted two hours.

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three tricks, for instance, in these circumstances, means a penalty of 1,000 points. In my next article I will endeavour to lay down principles as to how to bid. In the meanwhile, those desiring to obtain the laws should make sure that they get the right ones. They should ask for the Laws published in August, 1927. All the older codes are now entirely out of date.

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CERTIFICATES OF QUALITY.

EXTENT OF A GOVERNMENT'S LIABILITY.

FEDERATION OF CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE DISCUSSION.

"ULTIMATE RESPONSIBILITY" DEMANDED.

The Triennial Congress of the Federation of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire was held a few months ago in South Africa and the official report of the proceedings has just been received.

Amongst the subjects discussed was one of special interest to local commercial firms, namely, the extent of a Government's responsibility for Certificates of Quality issued by its officers, particularly as the Hong Kong Government Laboratory issues Certificates of Quality in respect of tin slabs, oils, ores and other commodities, the conditions under which these certificates are issued to firms including the following:

(6) All samples analysed will remain the property of the Government.

(7) The Government will not recognise any claims arising from the results of analysis.

The following resolution was moved by Mr. F. W. Parsons on behalf of the London Chamber:—

"That having regard to the uncertainty which at present exists as to the willingness on the part of Governments to accept financial responsibility for Certificates of Quality issued by them, this Congress desires to impress upon all the Governments concerned that if the system is to maintain its value to inter-imperial trade, it must be such as to inspire confidence on the part of traders not only in regard to the reliability of the certificates issued but in the ultimate responsibility of the Governments issuing them."

The mover of the resolution said that most of them were aware that in some trades it had become quite usual to ship goods from Empire sources accompanied by Certificates of Quality, which were issued by officials of Government Departments in the countries of origin and were usually "final as to quality," buyers hitherto had been content to rely on these certificates.

In a recent case, a Dominion Government official issued a certificate guaranteeing that a large consignment of flour, about to be shipped, was "fit for human consumption." A dispute arose, and a heavy claim was preferred against the Government, which argued that it had no official interest in the certificate as this, though issued by one of its officers, was only given "for the convenience" of the contracting parties.

After discussion Mr. T. Eriksen (Durban) suggested that the resolution be slightly modified in such a way that Congress might accept it unanimously. He would suggest that the resolution read:

"That the Congress desires to impress upon all the Governments concerned that if a system of Government certificates of quality is to maintain its value to inter-imperial trade, they must be such as to inspire the fullest confidence on the part of traders as to the reliability of the certificates issued."

That would take away the acceptance of financial responsibility.

The voting revealed a fairly even division of opinion on the question, the amendment being rejected by 38 votes to 33 and the original resolution being carried by only 38 votes to 31.

CHINESE GIRL'S SUICIDE.

SUMMONS HER FRIENDS TO DEATHBED.

SINGAPORE, May 11th.

At an inquest held by the Singapore Coroner (Mr. F. G. Bourne) this morning into the death of a young Chinese woman, a witness stated that he went to her house in response to a message.

She bade the witness and a number of others present goodbye. She said "I cannot live any longer: I have taken opium."

Medical assistance was obtained and she was later taken to hospital, where she died.

In reply to the Coroner, the witness, a young Chinese, stated that the deceased was living with a Malay.

Inspector E. O. Smith: She was fond of you? Was she jealous when you went about with other girls?

Witness replied in the negative.

The Coroner returned a verdict of suicide by opium poisoning.

Straits Times.

TO BE WOUND UP.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LTD.

RESOLUTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Shareholders of the China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd. unanimously passed yesterday, at an extraordinary meeting a resolution by which the company will be voluntarily wound up and Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. (the general agents) and Mr. John Fleming (chartered accountant) will be joint liquidators.

The Hon. Mr. B. D. F. Beith was in the chair and others present were the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. H. P. White (members of the Consulting Committee), Mr. E. B. C. Clarke (secretary) and Mr. M. H. Turner (of Messrs. Deacons, the company's solicitors) and the following shareholders: Messrs. E. M. P. de Gracia, A. M. da Silva, J. Baptista, G. E. Munro, C. Savard-Remedios, R. Sutherland, P. Tod, F. C. Hall, Choa Po Min, A. Gordon, A. W. Eastman, N. L. H. Railton, F. A. Griffiths, A. B. Stewart, R. Gordon, Joseph Gould, A. A. Alves, P. C. Potts, Choa Po Sien, L. Dunbar, P. M. Hodgson, A. Murdoch, A. H. Chambers, L. C. M. Boisragon.

The Chairman's Speech.

Addressing the meeting the Chairman said:—At our annual general meeting held on 24th ult., I explained to you the unsatisfactory position of the company and informed you that as neither its bankers nor general agents were prepared to make further advances for the company's continued operations, it had been decided to appoint an informal committee of shareholders to enquire into the company's position, and prepare a report for submission to you.

After a thorough investigation by the informal committee, a report was prepared and presented to you, strongly recommending that the only course to adopt was to wind up the company, with which recommendation your consulting committee and general agents entirely agreed.

Accordingly this meeting has been convened for that purpose.

Under article 154 of the company's articles of association, the general agents shall, if willing, be appointed liquidators. We are willing to undertake the work of winding up the company and in the interests of all parties have requested Mr. John Fleming of Messrs. Love, Bingham & Matthews to act as co-liquidator, which he has agreed to do.

I therefore beg to propose as an extraordinary resolution the resolution following, viz:—

That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this meeting that the Company cannot, by reason of its liabilities continue its business and that it is advisable to wind up the same and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily.

"And that Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., of Pedder-street, Victoria, Hong Kong, and John Fleming of Chartered Bank-building, Victoria, aforesaid, be appointed jointly and severally liquidators for the purpose of such winding up."

The Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie seconded and the resolution was carried unanimously.

Interests of Shareholders and Creditors.

The Chairman then said:—

"Representations have been made to me from certain quarters that in the course of liquidation the interests of shareholders as well as those of the creditors of the company will be protected, and that the assets of the company will not be sacrificed."

"I think, gentlemen, you can rely upon the integrity of the liquidators to act with prudence in such a matter and in the best interests of all concerned."

This concluded the business.

NEW BRITISH INDUSTRY.

FISH CANNING.

Sir Edgar Jones, chairman of the National Food Canning Council, stated that a meeting of the representatives of the principal fishing interests of Great Britain is to be held in London to form a committee to go into the question of establishing a fish-canning industry in Great Britain.

"The decision," said Sir Edgar, "is a natural result of the process which has attended the canning of fruit in Great Britain. Before a start can be made a considerable amount of research work will probably have to be undertaken. This will be the first work of the new committee."

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

"SLIGHTLY BETTER FEELING IN EVIDENCE."

MESSRS. BENJAMIN & POTTS' REPORT.

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts, in their weekly report on the share market dated yesterday, state: The local market was dull at the opening and prices eased off, but during the last few days there is a slightly better feeling in evidence.

Hong Kong & Shanghai Banks, after having receded to \$1.263, have recovered to a buying quotation of \$1.263 in sympathy with the advance in the London market to \$1.23.10 (middle). Unions remained steady and shares changed hands at \$3.46. Underwriters are on offer at \$21. Cantons are required for \$400, ex the dividend of \$40 just paid.

Kowloon Wharves are ruling strong with buyers at \$1.31 after sales. Whampoa Docks have fallen away to \$1.1. China Providents were negotiated to a small extent at \$5.30.

Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotels have been in some demand and sales were made up to \$8.45. Humphreys Estates are wanted at \$14. Hong Kong Lands were bought at \$83 and \$84.

Hong Kong Trams have further weakened to \$24. Peak Trams (old) continue in request at \$13. Hong Kong Electrics changed hands at \$83. Hong Kong, Canton & Macao Steamboats were put through at \$83.

Telephones are enquired for and can be placed at \$4.95. Star Ferries remain steady at \$64. China Sugars were sold down to \$23. Hong Kong Ropes (old) were again booked at \$7. Dairy Farms have weakened and were dealt in at \$21.2. Watsons have buyers at \$14, after transactions at this rate.

Evros were bid up to Tls. 9.30. Hongkong Wharves have appreciated and are wanted at Tls. 160. Langkats (combined) have receded to Tls. 12.20 at which figure there are buyers.

MISSING WIFE.

MRS. WATKINS' UMBRELLA AND SHOES AT BEACHY HEAD.

Eastbourne. The Eastbourne police have made discoveries which seem to confirm the theory that Mrs. Watkins, the missing wife of Colonel H. G. Watkins, of Onslow-crescent, London, S.W., fell from Beachy Head, and that her body was washed out to sea on the day she disappeared.

A pair of brown shoes were found below high-water mark under the cliffs. These were sent to London for identification, and in consequence of the report that they were believed to belong to Mrs. Watkins the Eastbourne police made a further search below the cliffs. This led to the finding of an umbrella, which has been identified as belonging to Mrs. Watkins.

Waiting Taxi cab.

A taxicab driver has told the police that on the day of Mrs. Watkins' disappearance, he drove a woman to Beachy Head. She asked him to wait at the top and said she would not be long, as she was catching the 6.20 train back to London from Eastbourne. He said he would wait if she paid him. The woman paid him 10s. and he waited for an hour and a half, but she did not return.

He told the signalman at the Beachy Head signal station and the police at Eastbourne on his return.

ANITA LOOS AT BRIGHTON.

WEEK END IMPRESSIONS.

Miss Anita Loos, the author of "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes," after a visit to Brighton, told a Daily Mail reporter that she could now understand why it was asserted that Britons take their pleasures sadly. She added:

"During the week-end I studied the holiday crowds in Brighton, and they are vastly different from those of Atlantic City, where they eat hot dogs all day long and drink concoctions of syrup coloured with soda water. That is why, I suppose, every other person suffers from severe indigestion. In Brighton the crowds promenaded sedately along the front, walk its entire length, gaze out to sea, and walk back again as if taking a walk in a private garden. There is no atmosphere of cheerfulness, but probably they are all the better for their rest and get back to work refreshed."

Miss Loos, speaking of the English girl, said that an every place she had visited she had noticed the same way in which they dressed, and she added, "their tailor-made costumes are perfect."

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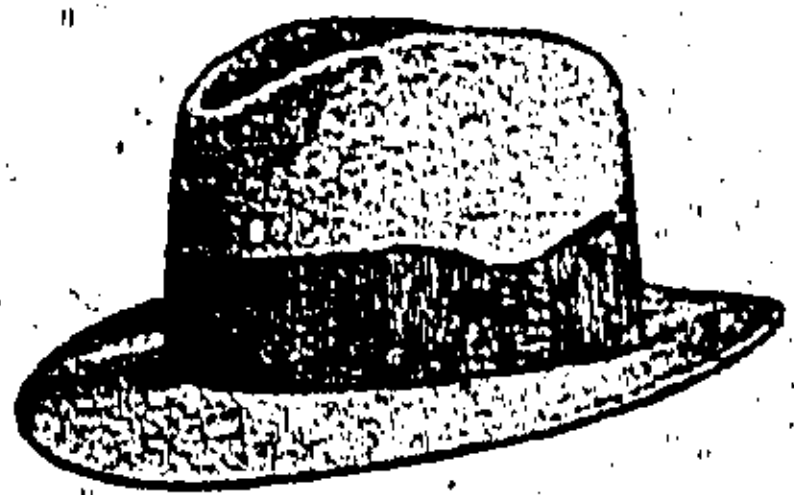
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"NIL DESPERANDUM" THE FATHERS' MOTTO.

(By C.L.C.)

Even in the most prosperous community we have the poor with us, and while we may not be too sympathetic with grown-up mendicants, very few of us turn a deaf ear to the little street arabs that run after our ricksha whining for a cent or two.

We also often read in the papers of boys about twelve or fourteen years of age being charged with snatching and picking pockets, and that the Law, as a corrective measure, orders them to receive twelve strokes of the birch. The boys are allowed to go and very often they return to their old ways and become habitual criminals.

The following article describes a very fine work that is going on in our midst, and turning a lot of human driftwood into useful members of the community.

Most of us look upon the street waif and petty offender merely as a nuisance. We call them incorrigibles, but very few of us take the trouble to look into their case a little further. While it is admitted that there are boys who are naturally criminal and incurable many drift into crime for the sake of getting a livelihood. Hunger knows no law.

Some of these lads are orphans and entirely on their own. Their circumstances compel them to associate with men of the vagabond type, and the influence which these men exercise over them can well be imagined.

Criminals, the best modern opinion now holds, are far less often born than made by circumstances especially if they are cast adrift on the world at a tender age.

Men like the Salesian Fathers who have devoted their lives to making useful men out of waifs and strays whom they have found in their midst, are firmly convinced that this is the case. They know that many thousands of boys have gone to ruin for lack of a proper home where not only a roof over their heads and two meals a day are provided but where they receive sympathy and guidance and can learn a useful trade.

The Salesian Fathers have founded homes for orphans all over the world. At the present moment there are 80,000 fathers of this denomination engaged in this work. Only a few months ago one of their industrial schools was founded in Hong Kong.

Started Last October.

The St. Louis Industrial School came into existence very unostentatiously last October. The Right Rev. Bishop A. Valtorta, placed a house in Third Street, Pokfulam, at their disposal. To-day the school houses 45 orphans.

I paid a visit to this school yesterday and found the boys and the fathers like a very happy family. The misanthropic scowl which is so often seen on the face of a young boy who has to fight the world for a living was conspicuous by its absence. The lads were as jolly and care-free as their more fortunate brothers.

Printers, Tailors, Cobblers, etc.

Father Bernardini, the Director of the School, took me over the premises and showed me where the boys work and their dormitory. "They are all good boys and very obedient," Father Bernardini told me. "They are a smart lot, too," he said.

In the printing department is a most up-to-date plant, with four printing machines, a paper cutter, a ruling machine and other paraphernalia of the trade. The machines, it is interesting to note, are all worked by motor, and the boys are not required to do any heavy manual work.

Working on the machines were boys ranging from 12 to 15 years of age and they showed a commendable proficiency at their allotted tasks. In the composing room the boys are younger. They are little midgelets and high trestle chairs had to be made specially for them to reach the type case.

This department is now busily getting out the next issue of the "Rock" and the "University Journal of Law and Commerce," in addition to many other jobs for local firms.

A trip to the tailors' shop saw another dozen of boys about fifteen years of age busily making up suits which have been ordered by some charitable gentlemen. These lads use their scissors and sewing machines like qualified tailors. The work in this department is in charge of an Italian father, who is himself an expert cutter. Some of the suits made up looked very smart, and are made of very good material.

In the shoe-making department there are another ten or fifteen boys working under the direction of two fathers. In this shop were shoes of all kinds and sizes for men, women and children. The leather used is all imported from Italy, and there is an expert designer attached to this department.

Near the entrance of the school is the engineering shop with a forge,

lathe, drilling machine, motors, anvil, and other equipment necessary to a mechanic. In addition there are two complete small aeroplanes, imported from Italy, which the boys take to pieces and reassemble with a view to learning something of one of the great trades of the future.

In this department the boys also learn to repair motor-cars, boiler-making and various other branches of engineering.

There is also a book-binding department where some expensive volumes are being re-bound.

Routine, etc.

The boys work in a bright and airy room and their surroundings are congenial. Their dormitory is on the first floor. Each boy has a small bed, a wash basin and clothes locker. Cleanliness and tidiness are strictly enforced. On getting up at six o'clock in the morning, the boys are required to sweep the floor, make their own beds, and have everything clean as a new pin.

The boys work five hours a day in the work shops and also attend school for three hours daily. English and Chinese being taught. They are allowed four hours a day for recreation including the morning course of physical drill. The evening hours are spent in the music room.

Midget Musicians.

I was taken to the music room just before leaving and sixteen young musicians were assembled for my benefit. In this room wonderful music stands were erected, and to see these sixteen lads with clarinets, cornets, trombones, and other brass instruments in hand all ready to strike up was most amusing, as some of the instruments were bigger than the players.

They played very well considering they had only six months training. Music, the Director told me, is not usually taught to the boys as a profession. It is more in the nature of recreation, but great pains are taken to make the boys just as proficient in this as in their trades.

In Co-operation With the Police.

The St. Louis Industrial School is working in close co-operation with the Police. It was only three days ago that the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe sent four boys to the school. These waifs were brought to me by Father Kerck, assistant to the Director, who said that although the boys have been in the school for only three days, they are totally changed. They are very obedient and amenable to discipline. They certainly looked happy enough.

Father Bernardini has spent \$40,000 on the school of which \$1,000 was contributed by local Chinese. The balance was borrowed in Italy. The house which Bishop Valtorta so kindly placed at their disposal is badly in need of repairs and the accommodation is not sufficient to house the necessary apparatus and machinery. Funds are needed if this good work is to progress, and I am sure that local Chinese merchants will not hesitate to contribute to this good cause.

From my own personal observation, I cannot refrain from saying that the inmates of the St. Louis School are much better looking lads than those who are apprenticed to blacksmiths, printers and other trades.

Chinese boys serving a term of apprenticeship in any trade run by their own people have a very hard time. For the first year they are practically taught nothing but are made to do domestic work. They have to scrub the floors, cook food for the folks, and sometimes nurse babies. During their term of apprenticeship they receive no wages. They have to bear the brunt of their instructors' mistakes and very often I have come across small boys crying in the street and refusing to go back to their master for fear of getting a thrashing.

I need not say more when I mention the fact that before a boy is accepted as an apprentice, his parents have to sign a paper to the effect that the boy is given entirely and solely to the master of the shop during the term of that apprenticeship.

Nil Desperandum is the message of the fathers to poor orphans, and I hope that people in Hong Kong will see that this very fine work gets the support which it deserves.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS.

GUARDS OFFICER ROBBED.

CASE AGAINST YACHT BOY.

Lieut. J. A. Burns, of the 2nd Batt. Scots Guards, was the complainant in a case heard yesterday at the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. W. Schofield.

The defendant is a "boy" employed on the yacht *Gael* and the charge against him was stealing \$23. Mr. J. M. Remedios defended.

It appeared from the evidence that Lieut. Burns and two brother officers took the yacht out to a place near Lamma Island on May 13th and went for a swim. They left defendant in charge of the yacht. In the left hand pocket of complainant's trousers pocket was a purse containing \$23, and his suspicions were aroused by finding the purse in his right hand pocket. Opening it he found the money missing and accused the defendant of taking it. He denied that he had done so but the money was found hidden in the starboard bow, and as defendant was the only person on board, Lieut. Burns had him arrested on arrival at Shamshuipo.

The case was adjourned until Friday next.

HEROIN SMOKER FINED.

The inventor of the ingenious pipe used for smoking pills containing heroin was fined \$1,000, with the alternative of six months' hard labour, by Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy. The defendant was charged with possession of 40 heroin pills which were found on him when C. P. O. Clarke boarded the Taping junk and searched him.

On the approach of the Revenue Officer the defendant threw two tins overboard, which, the Revenue Officer said, probably contained opium. These parcels, however, could not be recovered.

MORE SILLY CYCLISTS.

Two Chinese appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy for riding a tandem on the wrong side of Nathan Road, and with failing to show a light after the "lighting up" time.

The Magistrate discharged the second defendant with a caution and remarking that as he rode behind he had no control over the machine, and could not have altered the course of the cycle. It was also possible that he did not know that the lamp was out.

The Magistrate also dismissed the second summons as it was only four minutes after the "lighting up" time when they were arrested, but imposed a fine of \$4 for riding on the wrong side of the road.

TRIED TO BRIBE A CONSTABLE.

A Chinese hawker who tried to bribe an Indian constable appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy. He was fined \$20 or two weeks' hard labour, and on a second count of failing to produce a licence he was fined \$3.

"IT'S LOST."

A Chinese *joki* employed at a shop in Graham Street appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy on a charge of embezzling \$130.55 which he had collected on behalf of his firm from three other shops.

The defendant admitted the charge, but when asked what he had done with the money replied indifferently, "It's lost," meaning that he had lost the money in gambling.

The complainant told the Magistrate that the defendant had been introduced to him by a friend, and that he had been employed for a little more than a month.

Asked if he had any prospects of paying back the money the defendant shook his head, and made no reply.

It was stated that when arrested only \$3.21 was found on the defendant's person.

The Magistrate imposed a sentence of six weeks' hard labour.

AMAH'S SERIOUS THEFT.

An amah appeared before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy for stealing \$1,000 worth of jewellery from her mistress, who lives in Lee Garden Street.

The police said that the defendant was a substitute amah and as she was about to leave, drugged her mistress and took away with her \$120 in cash and \$900 worth of jewellery. The mistress immediately reported the matter to the Police who kept a sharp look out on the waterfront. The amah came along, and whilst attempting to board the s.s. *Luncheon* for Canton, she was arrested.

The defendant pleaded guilty and the Magistrate sentenced her to six weeks' hard labour.

It was stated that all but \$15 of the stolen money, and one ring were accounted for.

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ALLEGED BREACH OF CONTRACT.

DOLLAR LINE SUED.

DEFENDANTS ASK SECURITY FOR COSTS.

Mr. Watamal Boolchand, through his solicitor Mr. L. D. Turner, sued the Dollar Steamship Line yesterday at the Summary Court, before Mr. P. Jacks (Acting Puisne Judge), for the recovery of \$391.25.

The defendants were represented by Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones. The statement of claim was for damages sustained for a breach of contract in writing dated July 30th, 1926, for the carriage of certain goods to Punta Arenas. The defendants are alleged to have failed to deliver or account for the goods in question. Alternatively, the plaintiff claims the sum of \$391.25 as damages for the wrongful sale of the goods, or alternatively, damages for breach of duty and contract by defendants in their failure to make enquiries and also for selling the goods without the knowledge or authorisation of the plaintiff.

Mr. Hugh Jones applied to the Court to order the plaintiff to furnish security against the costs of the action on the ground that the plaintiff was not now in the Colony but is somewhere in Hyderabad.

Mr. Turner argued that that procedure could not be applied to the plaintiff in this action. Although the latter was not in the Colony, he has premises here, a manager to look after his business and also stocks in the Colony. As a matter of fact, Mr. Turner said, even the claim in the action was a part of plaintiff's assets.

Mr. Hugh Jones then applied for pleadings and this was agreed to by Mr. Turner. The case was adjourned *sine die* as the defence would, Mr. Turner said, have to refer to some remote part in Costa Rica for particulars.

STABBED IN RICKSHA.

SINGAPORE PULLER'S STORY OF SUDDEN CRY.

SINGAPORE, May 19th. A ricksha puller told the Singapore Coroner (Mr. F. G. Bourne) yesterday that he was taking a Chinese fare down South Bridge Road on April 16th at about 9 p.m., when he heard a sudden cry.

Looking back, he saw his fare lying back against the seat, bleeding and apparently unconscious. He took the man to New Bridge Road Police Station, whence he was removed to hospital. The man engaged the ricksha in Kreta Ayer Road, and the incident occurred not far from New Bridge Road Police Station.

Medical evidence was that death was due to stab wounds.

A verdict of murder against some person or persons unknown was returned.—*Straits Times*.

HEALTH BULLETIN OF EASTERN PORTS.

The Health Bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ending May 5th, states:—

Plague.

Aden: 13 cases, 16 deaths.

Bassora: 9 deaths.

Bombay: 21 deaths.

Rangoon: 5 deaths.

Cheribon: 1 infected rat.

Cholera.

Bassora: 7 deaths.

Bombay: 8 deaths.

Calcutta: 113 deaths.

Madras: 5 deaths.

Moulmein: 3 deaths.

Negapatnam: 1 death.

Rangoon: 1 death.

Tuticorin: 3 cases, 3 deaths.

Bangkok: 20 cases, 8 deaths.

Saigon: 15 cases, 10 deaths.

Haiphong: 2 cases.

Small-pox.

Bassora: 1 case.

Bombay: 33 cases, 25 deaths.

Calcutta: 41 cases, 30 deaths.

Madras: 24 cases, 7 deaths.

Moulmein: 10 cases, 9 deaths.

Negapatnam: 1 case.

Rangoon: 23 cases, 16 deaths.

Pondicherry: 5 cases, 9 deaths.

Bandjermasin: 1 case.

Belawan-Deli: 3 cases, 1 death.

Oenaka: 8 cases.

Shimonoseki: 2 cases.

Shanghai: 2 deaths.

Dairen: 9 cases.

Antung: 2 cases.

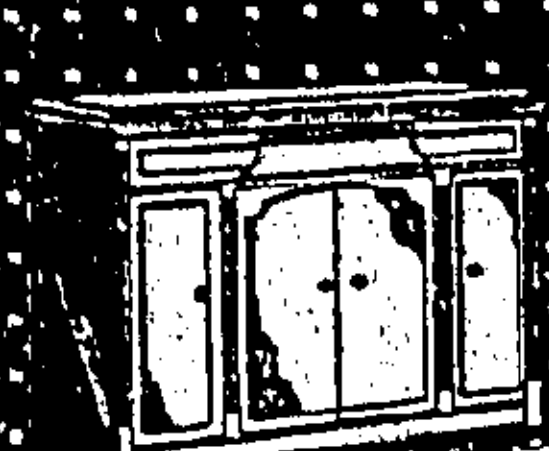
Changchun: 1 case.

AN OBSTINATE CHAUFFEUR.

An Indian constable noticed that the driver of a public vehicle was making a nuisance of himself by driving his car up and down Pedder Street, and stopping every pedestrian who happened to pass.

The constable stopped the car and asked the driver for his licence. He refused to produce it, and remarked that he had not, in his opinion, committed any breach of the traffic regulations. The constable asked him three times and then arrested him.

He was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Magistracy and ordered to pay a fine of \$10 for his obstinacy.



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THE DEFENCE OF HONG KONG.

ITS STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE.

COMPARED WITH SINGAPORE.

The *Naval and Military Record* states that there is a rumour that the six submarines that recently left Hong Kong with H.M.S. *Ambrose* may be replaced by a corresponding number of "O" boats when these are available. But we understand nothing has been decided on this point and that it is officially regarded as unlikely to materialize. In any case, the Fourth Submarine Flotilla is being cut down by one-half for a considerable time to come. Probably the Admiralty have come to the conclusion that the possibility of any Power ever contemplating an attack upon Hong Kong is negligible. Under the Washington Treaty we agreed not to develop resources nor defences of the place in return for "consent" to the Singapore scheme. It is distinctly questionable whether the strategic value of Hong Kong is not really higher than that of Singapore. The point must necessarily be considered in relation to the "possible enemy." There is only one great naval Power in the Far East and to talk about the "Pacific zone" is to directly implicate that Power. In the event of war with that Power Hong Kong would be much more troublesome to her than Singapore, because it more directly dominates her vital line of communications with China.

"Nobody Contemplates War With Japan."

Of course, nobody contemplates war between Great Britain and Japan, but it is only by discussing these things that we can give any material shape to strategical conceptions. If we are to have the assumption that great Navies may ever fight again, then the nations may as well burn their boats without waiting for Geneva. The withdrawal of submarines from Hong Kong may be a preliminary step to the formation of a flotilla at Singapore. In the existing situation in China light-draught gunboats and destroyers would be very much more useful to the Commander-in-Chief than submarines. But defensive organization has to look beyond the local requirements of the current moment. The Hong Kong naval establishment is of first-rate importance in the whole scheme of our strength in the Far East. The moral effect of reducing the defensive resources of the place is not good, even although the material effect is of little moment in the present posture of world affairs. Probably the truth of the matter is that the Admiralty are now so far feeling the pinch of the steady whittling-down of the Fleet that they have concluded they can no longer spare twelve submarines for Hong Kong whilst the Mediterranean Fleet only has seven.

A FIVE MINUTES' SILENCE.

CANTON'S ANGER WITH JAPAN

NO MONEY FOR NANKING.

THE PROBLEM OF FARM RENTS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, May 18th.

There was a five-minute silence at noon to-day with a cessation of all machinery and traffic in memory of fellow countrymen who perished in Tainan. Many Chinese firms in the city also had their flags at half-mast.

Canton has received word from Wuchow, Swatow, and other ports that the merchants there decided on a renewal of the anti-Japanese boycott. The view that the present policy of Japan has been formulated by the Japanese Government, only and that the people, as a whole, are friendly to China, does meet with much favour and is regarded as pro-Japanese propaganda.

Customs brokers in Canton have refused to clear goods of Japanese origin or coming in on Japanese vessels, and they are asking the Customs brokers in Shanghai and other ports to do the same.

Canton is unable to send money to Tainan as requested by Nanking, and the Canton Government have informed Nanking that Canton itself has its hands full as regards relief service owing to the recent "Red" outrages in Eastern Kwangtung and in the island of Hainan.

"RED" MEASURE REVOKED.

The order compelling all landlords to reduce their farm rentals by 25 per cent. which was proposed by the "Reds" and adopted by a former government which was under "Red" influence will not be enforced in the Province of Kwangtung without further consideration. An investigation of the present rents will be made, and it is expected that, while certain rents will be greatly reduced others may be raised. Kwangtung being still an agricultural country, the question of farm rental is of first importance, and the present government is showing commendable statesmanship in its careful reconsideration of the problem.

THREATENED STRIKE AT SHUIKWAN.

Shuikwai, the city at the northern terminal of the Kwangtung Section of the Canton-Hankow Railroad, is still unable to get rid of certain undesirable officials. Merchants there are again complaining that tax collectors, have been threatening the boat people with illegal exactions. Many sampan and lightermen have decided to suspend service, thus causing a shortage of hands for the loading and discharge of cargo. Shuikwai is one of the outlets for Kwangai and Hunan products and a possible shipping strike against this taxation will interfere very seriously with trade. The merchants of Shuikwai have wired to their Canton agents not to forward shipments until further notice.

Up to last Thursday, the Central Bank of China in Canton had withdrawn more than \$7,000,000 of its notes from circulation. There is, however, very little hope that these will ever return to par.

Mr. L. C. Lee, Commissioner of Industry in Canton, accompanied by an expert and two clerks, will pay a visit to Shui Kwai on the Canton as Hoi Jui this week-end.

ATTACK ON JAPANESE SHOPS.

DISPLAY OF NATIONAL FEELINGS AT WANCHAI.

TWO CHINESE ARRESTED.

Apparently as the result of the strained feelings existing at present between the Chinese and the Japanese, the rowdy element staged a hostile demonstration on Thursday night and attacked three Japanese shops in Praya East and Queen's Road East.

The trouble started after 9 o'clock when a jeering mob collected on the roadway. Several panes of glass were broken by stones thrown at the windows of the shops. The stones were wrapped in bits of newspaper which would suggest that they were brought on the scene for the purpose.

The demonstrators appeared to be in an ugly mood, but the victims of the attack wisely remained indoors. A telephone message from one of the shops brought the police on the scene and the mob dispersed in all directions. Two Chinese of the labouring class, believed to be the ringleaders of the disturbance, however, fell into the hands of the police.

The arrested men were brought before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday and accused of maliciously causing damage to the shop windows. On the application of Detective-Sergeant Whelan, of No. 2 Police Station, they were remanded for twenty-four hours for further investigations.

GAS SUPPLY FOR CANTON.

BIG IMPROVEMENT SUGGESTED.

A proposal has been submitted to the Municipal Government that a gas supply should be provided for the city. Gas for heating and cooking is one of the comforts of modern civilisation, and the installation of a supply would be a step forward in the improvement of the city.

In Canton, as throughout the country, firewood is the general fuel for cooking purposes. Its deficiencies are too well known to need mentioning; it suffices to say that blackened and sooted walls in all kitchens are due to its use. Firewood for cooking is neither economical nor sanitary.

The proposal is now being considered by the Municipal Council. —Canton Gazette.

PIRATES AND BANDITS.

Reports having been made that pirates have made their appearance in the neighbourhood of Bocca Tigris forts, Admiral Chan Chak has despatched the gunboat Hai Fu to patrol those waters.

The Hai Fu is equipped with a radio set, and will be able to report direct to Canton headquarters by this means. She left Canton in the afternoon of Tuesday on her mission.

Two Bandit Chiefs Retire.

Since the arrival in Sai-chu of troops sent by Commander Chan Chang Po, an energetic "clean-up" campaign is being carried on in the surrounding territory. Bandit disturbances, which have been of frequent occurrence, are rapidly dying down, and it is no longer unsafe to travel through the country.

Two well known bandit chiefs operating in that region have been forced to leave the neighbourhood. Since the troops started their work a month ago, there has been but one case of stealing reported—a very praiseworthy result. —Canton Gazette.

TO STUDY EDUCATIONAL CONDITIONS.

TWO TOURING PARTIES FROM CANTON.

The Graduates of the Elementary and Middle Class grades, first term, of the Municipal Normal School in Canton have formed two parties who are going to tour through the provinces to Chekiang, for the purpose of studying educational affairs and conditions.

A concert has already been held to raise funds for this tour, the function being widely supported by the public. The total expenditure of the trip is expected to be heavy, and with a view to raising more funds, the students have obtained special sanction from the Bureau of Public Safety to hold a masked ball in the National Garden, on the 10th and 20th inst.

The Filipino band of musicians will provide the music for the occasion, and in addition Miss Tse Lo Lan, the noted singer, will contribute a few items.

THE "CHINA" EXHIBITION.

BIG FINANCIAL SUCCESS REPORTED.

ALLOCATIONS TO CHARITIES.

THE FINAL COMMITTEE MEETING.

At the final general committee meeting of the China Exhibition Committee, the statement of accounts, was passed unanimously. The Rev. W. W. Rogers, who was in the chair, said that the exhibition from the financial side had been an undoubted success, as they had in hand \$1,373.39, and a further \$358.25 that was due to them had not yet been received. This would bring the total up to \$1,631.64, a return that was certainly not expected, but nevertheless very praiseworthy.

It was suggested that this sum be divided among various institutions in the Colony, and elsewhere, preference being given to medical and educational efforts, not necessarily of a missionary character.

After discussion the following allocations were voted:

"Chinese Mission" to Lepers...	\$300
Alice Memorial and Nether-sole Hospitals	100
Kyong Wah Hospital, Kowloon	100
C.M.S. Blind Boys' Home, Fochow	100
St. Andrew's Church, for electric lighting, repair of furniture and lawn	300

(This represents out of pocket expenses only.)

The balance is to be sent to the Church Missionary Association. The use of this balance was subject to the following recommendations by the general committee: That preference be given to the C.M.S. Leper Home, Pakhoi; the Victoria Home and Orphanage, Kowloon City; St. Hilda's Girls' School, Canton; Holy Trinity College, Canton; St. Stephen's Hall (Women's University Hostel), Hong Kong.

Interesting information regarding some of the places for which help was approved was given: the Blind Boys' Home in Fochow was outside the diocese, but it was felt that in view of the great need of the work that it was doing, help should be sent. St. Hilda's Girls' School, Canton, has continued its invaluable work all through the troublous times in Canton, while Holy Trinity College has been closed since 1925, and is just about to re-open under the Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Wittenbach. The work that the Kwong Wah is doing is so well known, that further comment was deemed unnecessary.

The Chinese Mission to Lepers, under the patronage of Sir Shou Son Chow, and Dr. S. W. Tso, two of the gentlemen who assisted at the opening of the China Exhibition, is a purely Chinese effort that is organised for the stamping out of this dread disease. "We feel sure that grants to these various societies and associations will meet with universal approval," said the Committee's report.

In a few closing words the Chairman mentioned that he had heard from all sides congratulatory remarks about the exhibition, which remarks he passed on to the general committee, for it was due to their untiring efforts that the success of this unique event was made possible.

Mr. Rogers read the letter from the Bishop of the Diocese, which congratulated the committee on the undertaking and expressed the hope that the experiment would be repeated. Mr. Rogers then conveyed his best thanks to the Committee for their work, and with a vote of thanks to the Chairman the meeting was adjourned sine die as the Chairman remarked.

The Accounts.

The following statement of accounts was presented:

By loans	\$ 700.00
Entrance to Exhibition...	1,008.05
Takings and rent	5,137.73
Total	\$6,845.78

To come: \$358.25	
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EXPENDITURE	
To repayment of loans...	\$ 700.00
Construction, repayments	
to stalls, etc.	4,869.39
Balance	1,273.39
Total	\$6,842.78

TRADE IN CHILDREN.

TWO LITTLE BOYS TELL THEIR STORY.

SOLD IN CHINESE TERRITORY AS FARM HANDS.

Information obtained by the Police from a Chinese connected with the alleged kidnappers finally led to the arrest of another Chinese. This man so save his own skin, obtained the release of two little Chinese boys who are said to have been kidnapped on March 28th.

Two Chinese who are connected with the abduction of the two boys were before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

A third defendant, and the man who is said to have sold them into the slavery has since disappeared and up to the present no trace of him has been found.

Detective Sergt. Oram prosecuted and Mr. F. S. Lossby appeared on behalf of the second defendant. The first defendant was not legally represented.

At the opening of the case Mr. Lossby remarked to the Magistrate that his defence was mainly based on the fact that his client had not bought the train tickets, nor did he supply the money to buy them.

The elder of the two brothers then went into the witness box and told the Court what had happened. He displayed the greatest composure and told his story clearly and well.

On March 28th he was walking with his brother along Des Voeux Road near the Tai Ping Theatre, West Point. They were accosted by a man named Li Cheung who said that he knew their father, and that he had known them before in Wanchai. He then invited them to accompany him to the Theatre and after the show asked them to come with him, and he would obtain work for them at an Import and Export Company in the country. He said that he had taken many other boys to this Company and that they had all done well. He then asked them to come with him to Yau-mat where they would stay the night, and that they would leave for the country the next day. The witness refused, but the man insisted and threatened them. He bought the ticket for the ferry launch, and almost thrust the boys on board. They were tired at the time and fell asleep on the boat. At Yau-mat they were taken to a carpenter's shop where they stayed the night. In the meantime they had met the second defendant, Ah Fook, who stayed with them at the shop. The next day they were taken to No. 71, Reclamation Street, where they stayed for two days. On the morning of the fourth day they went to the railway station, where four tickets were bought.

During their stay at the house in Reclamation Street, the witness said that they were taught how to take impressions of keys how to open boxes, and various methods of stealing. They were also told to address the man as "uncle," and if asked, to say that their father had been killed in the Red upheaval at Canton and that they were orphans.

The second defendant bought the tickets, but did not accompany them on the train. The first defendant and Li Cheung, the man who has since disappeared, went with them. The two men held conversations during the trip, and at Cheung Muk Tau they alighted and stayed in a boarding house for over a week.

During their stay at the boarding house, several women met Li Cheung, and arrangements were made for their sale. Eventually they were sold to two women who took them to a village where they were made to drive cows, and taught farming. Before they were taken away they were given \$2.40 by Li Cheung. After they had been living at the village for a considerable time a man unknown to them, came and told them that he was to take them back to their father in Hong Kong. This man was produced in court and recognised by witness.

Threatened And Afraid. Asked why they did not take the opportunity of running back home when they stayed for two days at the house in Reclamation Street, the witness replied that they were threatened and were afraid.

The second defendant questioned the witness himself. He then said that during their stay at Yau-mat, he had questioned the witness, who denied that his parents were alive; the boys were never confined to the house, but were allowed to roam about as they pleased, and finally, Li Cheung gave him the money to buy the tickets.

The witness denied all these statements, but could not say who gave the money to Ah Fook to buy the railway tickets.

The younger brother, Wong Sai Kan, corroborated the evidence which his brother had just given. The case was adjourned until Friday next at 3.15 p.m.

PAWNBROKERS AND PEAK THEFTS.

OWNERS GET THEIR GOODS BACK.

PRISONER SENTENCED ON SEVEN COUNTS.

Yeng Yuen Man, the Chinese remanded by Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy last Tuesday for further investigation into his criminal career, following his admission of a series of thefts from bungalows in the Peak district, was again before the Magistrate yesterday. Three more charges relating to thefts of a platinum and diamond wrist watch from No. 4, Peak Road, a jade bowl from No. 2, Peak Road, a silk raincoat and a pair of jade ear-rings from the Sisters' quarters at the Victoria Hospital were admitted by the defendant.

Four of the charges, being alternative counts for receiving stolen property, were dropped as the defendant had admitted the thefts. On the remaining seven charges, defendant was sentenced to seven weeks' hard labour on each count—a total of 49 weeks—his Worship remarking that that was as near as he could get to one year.

Chief Detective Inspector Murphy asked his Worship to exercise his authority under the Pawnbrokers' Ordinance in respect to certain articles found in the pawnshops and which had been pledged by the defendant.

Pawnbroker Should Have Suspected.

On the platinum and diamond wrist watch, the Sang Yuen pawnshop, of No. 7, Graham Street, paid \$20 to the defendant, the article being valued at \$100. In explanation the pawnbroker said that the \$20 was in the nature of an advance, and further that at the time he accepted the article no notification had been received from the police of the theft. The Magistrate considered that the pawnbroker ought to have suspected the man and ordered the return of the article to the owner without payment of principal or interest.

A Jade Bowl For \$7.

A jade bowl valued at \$100, stolen from Mr. J. H. Seth, had been pawned in a shop at Praya East. The pawnbroker said that he advanced \$7 on it, which was the amount asked for by the man who brought it. After examining the bowl, the Magistrate thought it would be sufficient if the owner were allowed to redeem it on payment of the principal, adding that if Mr. Seth wished to do so he could sue the Tung Hing pawnbrokers, whom he would be sure to get judgment. Mr. Seth preferred to get the bowl back in the quickest way and paid the \$7.

The silk raincoat valued at \$10 and stolen from a Nursing Sister was found in the Kai Tack pawnshop, Kowloon. This had been pledged for \$2. An order was made for the owner, if she so desired, to receive the raincoat on payment of the principal.

In regard to the ear-rings pawned for \$3 at the Yau Sang shop in Kowloon, the pawnbroker disagreed that they were worth \$33. He also stated that it was not unusual for a man to bring ear-rings to pawn. The pawnbroker was ordered to return the article to the owner without payment.

Two travelling clocks with monograms on them were among the stolen goods. C. D. I. Murphy said that one of the clocks was found in the possession of the defendant when he was arrested in Mrs. Parker's house, so that it really never left the possession of Mrs. Parker. The other clock had been redeemed by Mrs. Blaker before the defendant's arrest, and in view of the fact that the pawnbroker had given Sergeant Ffches every assistance, the police did not wish to take any action in this case.



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ROYAL HONG KONG YACHT CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING previously advertised for the purpose of confirming as a Special Resolution the Extraordinary Resolution passed on FRIDAY, 11th MAY, will be held at the Club House on **TUESDAY, 27th MAY, at 6 p.m.**

By Order of the General Committee, R. J. VERNALL, Hon. Secretary. [6297]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office, Union Building, Hong Kong, on **FRIDAY, 25th MAY, 1928, at 11 o'clock a.m.** for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st DECEMBER, 1927, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from **FRIDAY, 25th MAY, to 27th MAY, Both Days inclusive.**

By Order of the Board, PAUL LAUDER, General Manager. Hong Kong, 1st May, 1928. [6298]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hong Kong, on **FRIDAY, 25th MAY, 1928, at 11.15 a.m.** for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st DECEMBER, 1927, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from **FRIDAY, 25th MAY, to 27th MAY, Both Days inclusive.**

By Order of the Board, PAUL LAUDER, General Manager. Hong Kong, 1st May, 1928. [6298]

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hong Kong, on **FRIDAY, 25th MAY, 1928, at 11.20 a.m.** for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st DECEMBER, 1927, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from **FRIDAY, 25th MAY, to 27th MAY, Both Days inclusive.**

By Order of the Board, PAUL LAUDER, General Manager. Hong Kong, 1st May, 1928. [6297]

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINS 1928/1929.

LISTS ARE NOW OPEN FOR MEMBERS to subscribe for SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINS for Season 1928/1929 and have been posted at the Race Course, STABLES (Counsellor Bay), Hong Kong Club, and Secretary's Office.

By Order, H. R. FORSYTH, Acting Secretary. Hong Kong, 18th May, 1928. [6299]

INTIMATIONS.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate No. 3467 dated 30th JUNE, 1900, for 25 Shares of the Company, Numbered 2451-2475 registered in the Name of **Mrs. MARIAN LEGGE** has been LOST or DESTROYED; and should this Certificate not be produced to the Company before the 15th JUNE, 1928, a New Certificate for the said Shares will be issued, and the Old Certificate No. 3467 will be thereafter treated by this Company as Null and Void.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 11th May, 1928. [6241]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

ACTION No. 207 of 1928.

BETWEEN
THE YUE HONG BANK Plaintiffs
AND
FUNG SAU YU and TSE LUI CHUNG trading as **THE MAN SHING HING FIRM** Defendants

By Order of the Supreme Court.

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IMAGINATION AND THE EAST.

The theory of the "Yellow Peril" has exercised a strong fascination over the minds of many Europeans who have thought much about the Far East and have possibly passed through it but not lived there for any length of time. It forms the subject of a brilliant and rhetorical book, *Asia Gialla* (Yellow Asia) recently written by Signor Mario Appelius, a distinguished Italian.

Signor Appelius has travelled extensively in the Far East, but his views are coloured by an initial antipathy to the Yellow Races, and particularly the Chinese, which he evidently allowed to become something of an obsession. Otherwise, to take one example, he could not have written in the following strains of the Chinese eye: "Its peculiar shape, its narrow crooked look and fixed glassy stare, even when most expressionless, seems to wink cunning. It is an eye made to count piastres and control balances and before its hard impenetrable gaze Western intelligence recoils baffled and paralysed."

That surely expresses the emotions of a highly strung person who has obtained his ideas of the Chinese from the "Mr. Wu" type of fiction and drama. Not one European out of a hundred thinks such things of the "boy" or the amah, or least of all of the pleasant mannered people with whom most of us work every day of our lives. People who know the East sometimes bring accusations of childish mentality and lack of courage, and fighting quality against the Chinese, but wild generalisations about Machiavellian characteristics are conspicuously absent.

Our imaginative Italian, referring to the ubiquity and fecundity of the Chinese, continues: "They swarm everywhere; they have flooded the Straits Settlement; they are in the Dutch Indies and Indo-China. They regard French Indo-China as the natural annex of the Chinese Republic." Signor Appelius sees as a sinister feature

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of Chinese penetration the fact that the Chinese "dwell apart, forming separate colonies, compact and homogeneous units of Chinese life, subject to their own laws and discipline and strictly faithful to the spirit and usages of the Mother Country. Each is organised on a military basis, under a chief to it owes implicit obedience."

A Chinese reading that passage might say with a bland smile to the European who showed it to him: "That is all very true, with one reservation; he has by a slip of the pen written 'Chinese' instead of 'English.' Look at that part about the 'spirit and usages of the Mother Country,' and as to the military basis, isn't that your Volunteer Defence Corps?"

To return to the remarks about the eyes, while a European often refers to Chinese eyes as "dreamy" or "soft" or even "bovine" in moments when a "boy" for his own ends is impenetrably stupid, it is generally supposed that the "ferce blue eyes" of a foreigner are terrifying to a Chinese cursed with as much imaginative fear as Signor Appelius.

Indo-China particularly intrigued him. He sees in it the probable cause of the "Conflagration in the Pacific" and the World War, which, incidentally, he preaches with the vehemence of a "British Israelite" holding forth on "prophecy of the Great Pyramid." The book contains a long chapter on a conversation which the author had with a leading Chinese of Indo-China, whom one cannot altogether acquit of "politely playing up to the fervid imagination of his guest

and even pulling his leg. The suave merchant prince after describing the "mysterious unity" of all Asiatics "from Turkey to Korea," in face of European aggression, best expressed in the phrase "Asia for the Asiatics," comes back to Indo-China as the nidus of future trouble. "Japan has obvious designs on Indo-China. She covets the immense rice plantations of Cochinchina; the phosphate fields of Tonquin; and not least the incomparable Bay of Along which she hopes to turn into the first naval base of the Far East and so neutralise Hong Kong and Singapore. France has too many enemies near at home to make any serious effort to keep Indo-China, but on the other hand England would never allow Japan to establish herself there. And this brings us in sight of the world war for the control of the Chinese market, the first phase of which may be England and France against Japan with America coming in on the side of the former and Russia joining the latter."

This is the kind of book upon which many ideas are formed at Home of the Far Eastern situation. "Out here the thing is laughable. In a single day Peking or Canton can order a hundred chiefs to set in motion the hundred armies of Saigon, of Singapore, of Java, of Haiphong, of Calcutta, of Madras, etc." It sounds like an Arabian Nights Sultan for whom armies spring into being out of the dust as he stamps his foot. The problems of the Far East are grave and complex. Here and there *Asia Gialla* may strike perilously near the truth, but the book appears, as a whole, to resemble the purple patches of Dr. Quincey's "Opium Eater" when the dream stricken Englishman lies in terror from the imaginary horrors of China and the East.

One Chinese case of small-pox was reported on Thursday from Kowloon.

We regret to announce the death, at the maternity ward of the Victoria Hospital yesterday morning, of Mrs. Barridge, the wife of Sergeant-Major Barridge, R.E.

A Chinese boatwoman who was found to have 29 taels of prepared opium concealed on her person was yesterday fined \$2,000 with the alternative of six months' hard labour.

Among the passengers leaving the Colony yesterday by the *a.s. Taiping* for Manila and Australia were Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Reynolds, Mr. H. L. Jackson, Mr. E. Cock, and Dr. and Mrs. Shellahar.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Lieut. J. W. Hale, R.N., of the Kai Tak Aerodrome, to Miss M. Trend, of Stonehurst, Haslemere, Surrey, who is en route to Hong Kong by the *a.s. Glenogle*.

A lecture on "Charles Darwin's Theory of Evolution" will be given by Mr. Ng Tai Ping, of the Hong Kong University, to-morrow at 2 p.m. in the Modern Literary Association, Caine Road. All interested are welcome.

A Chinese, named Charles King, of Ah King's slipway, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital on Thursday evening suffering from injuries received when he was knocked down by a motor-car, stated in the police report to have been driven by Mr. H. Westlake, of the Volunteer Defence Corps.

Mr. J. P. Robinson, Hon. Secretary of the Kowloon Cricket Club, entered the French Hospital on Thursday to receive treatment for a broken arm. The injuries were due to a fall caused by Mr. Robinson's dog running out and jumping up to greet him as he was alighting from a ricksha near his home early in the afternoon.

CHINESE IN THE STRAITS.

359,262 IMMIGRANTS LAST YEAR.

RECORD YEAR AT ST. JOHN'S ISLAND.

The annual report of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Straits Settlements, for the year 1927 states that during the year the number of immigrants arriving from China in the Straits Settlements, totalled 359,262, an increase of 3.06 per cent. over the figure for 1926. This number of immigrants during a year has never been exceeded.

During the year there were no restrictions on immigration. Passage rates for the first six months of the year were normal, but later were lower than usual especially from Amoy. The comparative prosperity of the staple industries of Malaya, combined with the extremely unsettled conditions obtaining throughout the year in those southern provinces of China from which the bulk of the immigrants to Malaya come, was the principal cause of the increase.

The number of Chinese immigrants, who proceeded direct to Penang, was 57,418 as compared with 49,390 in 1926; of these 3,608 continued their voyage to Rangoon and Calcutta.

Female Immigration.
58,787 adult female immigrants arrived or 17.8 per cent. more than in 1926; the percentage of women to men was 33.3 against 19.7 in 1926, and 31 in 1919, the record year. The figures include 753 Hailam women, who were accompanied by 145 girls.

The immigrants included 9,550 infants under the age of one year; 7,172 landed in Singapore, 3,526 of whom were reported as leaving for other ports; the balance, therefore, was 3,646 as compared with 3,380 as compared with 3,380 and 2,389 in the two preceding years.

The number of women immigrants arriving in Penang by steamer was 8,994 as against 7,769 in 1926 and the number of children, male and female, under the age of 14, was 7,373 as against 7,035.

153,198 Chinese deck passengers left Singapore for China; the excess of immigrants from China over emigrants returning to that country was 204,064 or 56.8 per cent. of the total arrivals.

Unlawful Societies.
There was no serious outbreak during the year among the Hokkien unlawful societies. Minor disturbances occurred between different sections of the Sin Gi Hin Society and between rival clans but no serious clash took place between the Sin Gi Hin and its rival the Sin Guan Seng.

In September an outbreak of hostilities occurred between two main Tiochiu unlawful societies the Sin Tong Hoa and the Hox Teo Kheng. At least 13 persons were murdered either by shooting or stabbing and many more were wounded during the 12 days that the disturbance lasted.

A large number of the gang robberies which occurred during the year were the work of criminals connected with Cantonese unlawful societies, especially of the Heng group. On July 15, a Protectorate Agent, a Cantonese, was shot dead in New Bridge Road quite close to the Protectorate.

Both Penang and Malacca were free from unlawful society disturbances during the year.

Protection Of Women And Girls.
The number of inmates remaining in the Po Leung Kulk Home, Kandang Kerbau, Singapore, at the end of 1926 was 84; during 1927 there were 133 admissions and 131 discharges, leaving 88 inmates at the end of the year.

At the beginning of the year there were 21 inmates in the Po Leung Kulk Home, Penang; there were 122 admissions and 122 discharges, leaving 21 inmates when the year ended.

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DEATH OF ADMIRAL SANDEMAN.

COMMANDER AT HONG KONG.

The death is announced by *Reuter* cable of Rear-Admiral Henry George Glas Sandeman, C.M.G., at the age of 58.

Rear-Admiral Sandeman joined H.M.S. *Britannia* as a Naval Cadet in 1881. He later served as Flag-Lieutenant to Admiral Sir J. O. Hopkins, G.C.B., in North America and the West Indies, and in the Mediterranean.

He commanded H.M.S. *Britannia* during the earlier part of the war, and was appointed Commodore and Senior Naval Officer at Hong Kong in 1918. He retired in 1918.

MARIA THE WILD RUSSIAN.

TO GO BACK TO HARBIN.

SHANGHAI.
After the manner in which Maria Ivasoff, 35-year-old Russian woman, devastated her home at 109 Seymour Road while in a state of intoxication one afternoon last week Mrs. Antipenko, tenant of the above premises, felt entirely willing to pay the expenses of deporting Maria from Shanghai to any place out of reach of Seymour Road and for this purpose Mrs. Antipenko proceeded to the Provisional Court to advise the authorities as much.

Maria is an old offender and was ordered to be detained in custody pending the completion of arrangements to deport her to Harbin, which is quite far enough to satisfy the complainant who announced her willingness to pay all deportation expenses.

WEATHER REPORT.

The weather report, forecast and remarks issued by the Royal Observatory, Hong Kong, at 5.50 p.m. yesterday state—

The anti-cyclone is central over S.W. Korea. The depression over Indo-China is unchanged.

Local forecast:—Easterly winds, moderate, overcast; rain.

Thirty-five women and girls were admitted to the Malacca Po Leung Kuk Ward of whom 4 remained at the end of the year.

There were 19 prosecutions in Singapore under sections 6 and 13 of Ordinance No. 143 (Women and Girls Protection) and 7 convictions were obtained. In Penang there were two prosecutions under the Ordinance. Three Cantonese women were convicted of offences against girls and were sentenced to terms of imprisonment. In Malacca there were 4 prosecutions under the Ordinance and 3 Chinese males and one Chinese woman were sentenced to terms of imprisonment.

Mul-tai Cases.
Eleven mul-tai were detained in the Home under section 10 (1) of Ordinance No. 143 while two were detained under section 4 of Ordinance No. 172 (Female Domestic Servants); there was one prosecution of a mistress for voluntarily causing hurt. A conviction was obtained and fine of \$50 was imposed. In Penang two women were convicted of voluntarily causing hurt to mul-tai. Both appealed to the Supreme Court. One absconded before the appeal was dismissed.

Repatriation.
Fifty-one destitute and infirm Chinese inmates of Tan Tock Seng's Hospital were repatriated at a cost of \$1,036.60 by the Government. Seventy-seven sick and aged Chinese were repatriated from Penang at a cost of \$1,348.91 which was borne partly by Government and partly by public subscriptions.

Trade conditions which were good at the beginning of the year suffered during later months with the fall in price of rubber and tin. The disturbed political conditions in China were not reflected to any appreciable extent in the Colony.

JAPAN ISSUES HER MEMORANDUM.

"CLEARING THE DECKS FOR ACTION."

MANCHURIAN POLICY UNPOPULAR IN JAPAN.

ACCEPTANCE OF FIVE DEMANDS CRITICISED.

Japan, in her Memorandum issued yesterday, points out that for many years there has been no assurance of safety for foreigners in China. Japan, more than any other Power, is influenced by this, and owing to her proximity is especially anxious that all disturbances should terminate as soon as possible.

At present, however, the disorders threaten to spread, not only to Tientsin and Peking, but to Manchuria. It is essential to Japanese prosperity there that peace should be maintained in Manchuria, and consequently the Japanese Government feels it may be "constrained to take appropriate and effective steps for the maintenance of peace and order in Manchuria."

This policy, however, has not received universal support even in Japan itself. One section of the vernacular press has issued a serious warning to the Government on the dangers of this Manchurian policy at the present juncture. It urges the necessity of preparing to meet a new situation in the event of the downfall of Marshal Chang Tso Lin.

The fact of the atrocities against Japanese residents at Tientsin appears to be established by photographs in the hands of the Japanese Legation at Peking, which have been shown to Reuters and other correspondents.

Marshal Chiang Kai Shek, according to the vernacular papers, has come in for a certain amount of criticism within the Kuomintang for his acceptance of Japan's demands. It is not yet known if the situation thus created is serious.

JAPAN'S MEMORANDUM.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

TOKYO, May 18th.

The Government Memorandum, explaining its motives and intentions regarding North China and Manchuria, points out that the existence of the population of China has been characterised by extreme unrest and distress over many years. Foreign residents enjoy no assurance of safety.

Foreigners in China, and especially Japanese, earnestly desire that disturbances should terminate as soon as possible, and that a united and peaceful China should emerge as being the nearest neighbour.

Disturbances, however, now threaten to spread to the vicinity of Peking and Tientsin, and it is feared that Manchuria may also be affected.

The Japanese Government attaches the utmost importance to the maintenance of peace and order in Manchuria, and is prepared to do all it can to prevent the disturbance of that peace and order. "Under these circumstances should disturbances develop further in the direction of Peking and Tientsin, and should the situation become so menacing as to threaten the peace and order of Manchuria, the Japanese Government may possibly be constrained to take appropriate and effective steps for the maintenance of peace and order in Manchuria."

The Memorandum points out, however, that the policy of the Japanese Government of maintaining strict neutrality towards the contending forces remains unchanged in every respect.

JAPAN'S POLICY CRITICISED.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

TOKYO, May 18th.

Seventeen agitators were arrested at a meeting last night under the auspices of the Extreme Left-Wing Party, held for the purpose of opposing the despatch of troops to Shantung.

Other proletarians are organising "Hands off China" propaganda. One section of the vernacular press, while admitting the necessity of protecting Japanese rights and property, regrets that the Government has no other policy than the use of military power.

It warns the Government against embarking on a dangerous Manchurian policy at the present juncture and urges the necessity of preparing to meet a new situation in the event of the downfall of Marshal Chang Tso Lin.

JAPAN "CLEARING THE DECKS."

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PEKING, May 18th.

The Japanese appear to be "clearing the decks for action." Many Japanese families have left Peking to-day, but the departure of the Legation women and children is postponed till May 21st as the special ship does not arrive at Tsingtao till then.

Large parties of Chinese workmen are actively engaged, under Japanese direction, in levelling ground at the ends of the polo ground and the east glacis, and it is believed that they are preparing an aerodrome.

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SHANGHAI STUDENTS AGAIN.

HALF-HEARTED ANTI-JAPANESE BOYCOTT.

YANG SEN EVACUATES WANHSIEN.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

SHANGHAI, May 17th.

Shanghai Chinese students are again to the fore in brewing trouble, according to messages received through Naval Wireless. It is stated that the Students' Associations there are endeavouring to persuade the Nanking Authorities to take retaliatory measures against the Japanese.

The students also plan to send groups of delegates into various parts of China with the view of spreading anti-Japanese propaganda.

This body of trouble-makers has struck school beginning from May 16th. They intended to keep away from their schools for three days so that they can raise money in support of their scheme. Some of them were arrested in the International Settlement for collecting money without due authorisation. Shipping Boycott.

Shanghai Chinese shipping firms held a conference and resolved to boycott Japanese steamers and goods. This resolution was largely supported, but when it came to putting the resolution into practice, there was little enthusiasm. Talk is cheaper than actual carrying out of their intention, because of the large Chinese interests involved.

Although there have been many attempts to stir up trouble in Shanghai, the rowdy elements have met with no success. The Chinese authorities are taking a firm attitude toward all disturbers of the peace and they are acting in close co-operation with the International Settlement Police in their efforts to defeat the ends of the trouble-makers.

NEWS FROM THE UPPER RIVER.

Another message says that General Yang Sen has evacuated Wanhsien and he is reported to be taking up his headquarters in Kweichowfu. The latter port is an important salt-centre and is valuable on that account.

How the new regime would affect British shipping interests cannot be forecasted at the moment, but their attitude is being watched with interest.

Military leaders are now being redistributed in Szechuan. Elsewhere no change is reported.

AID FOR FENG.

(Wah Tsai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, May 18th.

General Pei Chung Hsi, a Hankow leader, is expected to proceed to Heingseng, in Honan, to see Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang, and afterwards to lead his army against the Fengtienese.

Marshal Feng has sent a telegram expressing his welcome and even promised to supply General Pei with one month's expenses for his expedition and 50,000 men.

MUNITIONS FOR THE SOUTH.

(Wah Tsai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, May 18th.

The naval authorities at Amoy has recently imported from abroad a big consignment of ammunition, all of German make, which comprises the following:—

Twelve guns, from 10.5in. to 14in. and 1,200 shells; 12 Howitzers and 24 cases of ammunition; 48 machine guns and 60 cases of ammunition; 9,600 rifles and 4,000,000 rounds, together with about 100 other guns of various kinds.

HYDE PARK CASES.

POLICE METHODS ATTACKED.

EXAMINED FOR FIVE HOURS.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, May 18th.

A first class sensation has been caused by alleged police methods, arising from the recent acquittal of Sir Leo Chiozza Money and a girl friend of 22 named Miss Savage, who were charged with improper conduct in Hyde Park.

The question of prosecuting the plain clothes officers who arrested them for perjury has been under official consideration.

In the meantime two Scotland Yard officers went to Miss Savage's place of employment and took her to Scotland Yard. It is alleged that she was subjected to five hours examination.

The matter was brought up in Parliament when the Labour member, Mr. Johnston, read her sworn statement that she was cross-examined in the most indecent fashion. The House was extremely indignant and the Home Secretary promised a searching inquiry by a High Court Judge.

LORD TERRINGTON.

BAIL REFUSED.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, May 18th.

Lord Terrington has been committed for trial, bail being refused.

[An account of earlier proceedings connected with this case appears in another column.]

RUSSIAN EMIGRES SUSPENDED.

ATTACK ON SOVIET MINISTER.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

WARSAW, May 18th.

As a result of the attack on M. Lizaroff, the Emigre organisation, known as the Union of Russian Youth, in Poland, has been suspended and its archives sealed.

EXPLORATION BY AIRSHIP.

A SUCCESSFUL VENTURE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

KINGS BAY, May 18th.

The airship "Italia" has landed on the conclusion of a cruise over the unexplored region between Franz Josef Land and Nicholas Land.

AMERICAN MAIL RATES.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, May 18th.

President Coolidge has signed a bill halving air mail and postal rates.

CHINESE CONSUL'S DEATH.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

WELLINGTON, New Zealand, April 18th.

The death is announced from an apoplectic stroke of Li Kwang Heng, the Chinese Consul here.

WITCH DOCTOR CAPTURED.

ECHO OF SUDAN'S "LITTLE WAR."

MURDER OF CAPT. FERGUSON.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

KHARTOUM, May 17th.

The Upper Nile Police Patrol has at last captured the witch-doctor, Pok, one of the leaders of the rebellious Kurjur tribes, but Gwek, his ally, is still a fugitive.

The witch-doctors are "wanted" in connection with the murder last year of Captain Ferguson, the District Commissioner at Bahar, and a Greek merchant, and several others of an official party.

A punitive expedition was recently carried out by British forces, and the majority of the chiefs surrendered. Pok and Gwek, however, retreated to the swamps and have been hunted ever since.

CONNIVING WITH A PRINCE.

SUSSEX ASYLUM ESCAPE.

"TOTALLY INADEQUATE" FINE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, May 18th.

Bastone, who was charged at Hastings with aiding and abetting the escape of Prince Seifeddin, was fined £20 sterling, the maximum penalty under the Luby Act. The Chief Constable described this as totally inadequate for the nature of the offence, to which Bastone pleaded guilty.

BIRK VERDICT UPHELD.

DECISION OF COURT OF APPEAL.

LATE ESTHONIAN MINISTER.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

REVAL, May 17th.

The Court of Appeal upheld the verdict of the lower court in the case against M. Birk, the former Esthonian Minister to Russia, who, charged with publishing, in the interests of a foreign State, secrets concerning Esthonia, was acquitted of high treason and found guilty of disobeying the Government's orders.

The case was taken to appeal by both the defence and the prosecution, the Government seeking conviction of high treason, while M. Birk sought acquittal on all charges.

THE RUSSIAN AVIATORS' CRASH.

BRITISH AUTHORITIES SATISFIED.

NEW MACHINES FOR KABUL.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PESHAWAR, May 17th.

It has been ascertained from Kohat that the aeroplane flown by two Russian airmen, which crashed on the North-Western frontier near Parachinar, on Monday, was one of a batch of new machines being delivered to Kabul.

Apparently the airmen mistook the route. They were detained by the police for enquiries, but the British authorities are now arranging to send them back to Kabul. Facilities are to be afforded the Afghan authorities to whom the aeroplane belongs, to examine, and if possible, to remove the wrecked machine.

AMERICAN MARKET FLUCTUATIONS.

A SENSATIONAL RALLY.

BANKS ADVANCE RATES.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, May 17th.

As forecasted yesterday, the Federal Reserve Bank has advanced the re-discount rate to 4½ per cent, owing to banking fears that share speculation is becoming excessive, resulting in a desire to restrict credit supply.

There occurred a sensational rally in prices on the Stock Exchange this afternoon, following a long continued fall during the early part of the day.

LEAGUE REPORT ON SUGAR.

INTERNATIONAL ACTION CONSIDERED.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

GENEVA, May 17th.

The sub-committee appointed by the Consultative Economic Committee of the League of Nations to consider the sugar problem, has passed a resolution calling on the League economic organisation closely to examine all factors relating to sugar production and consumption in international trade.

When the sub-committee has concluded its sittings a report will be submitted to the Council of the League, which will decide whether concerted international action is desirable.

PERSIA UP TO DATE.

EXTENSION OF TELEGRAPH LINES.

BANK TO BE ESTABLISHED.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

TEHRAN, May 18th.

Since he arrived here a week ago, Dr. Lindenblatt has been studying the projects drawn up by the German Doctor Dotzke, the financial expert, who came to Persia last winter on the initiative of the Persian Government, and also of the American MacCasky, the ex-Treasurer General.

It is understood that a bank will shortly be established with an initial capital of 800,000 Tomans out of the 2,000,000 ratified by the Mejlis. Branch banks will also be established in the chief towns in Persia.

It has been decided to erect new telegraph lines where necessary and to extend the existing lines to the Russian and Turkish frontiers. In all about a thousand miles of new lines will be needed.

Most of the material has already been purchased in Russia, but the Government is also considering the question of purchasing ships to prevent smuggling in the Persian Gulf. It is stated that the officers on the ships will be Italian.

GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTER.

DR. STRESEMANN'S GOOD PROGRESS.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

BERLIN, May 17th.

Dr. Stresemann, the Foreign Minister, is progressing favourably and is now regarded as out of danger.

42 TO WED 18.

COURT OVERRULES PARENTS' OBJECTIONS.

"I implore you not to make this order," said Joseph Sherlock, of Raymouth-road, Rotherhithe, S.E., when he and his wife, Mary Sherlock, attended Tower Bridge Court to answer a summons under the Guardianship of Infants Act to show cause why the court should not consent to the marriage of their daughter Eileen, aged 18, with Albert Davis, who is 42.

It was stated that a similar application made last December was refused.

The girl said she wished to marry Davis, whom she had known for twelve months. She had been living in his house since the last application and he had been keeping her. Her mother turned her out of her home on account of her association with Davis.

Davis said he was in a position to support a wife. Her parents did not object until someone slandered him.

The father said he had objected to the marriage because of his daughter's age and because Davis had no home.

Mr. Tassell, the magistrate, said the girl seemed determined, and there was obviously a very grave risk in withholding consent. Disparity of age did not always mean unhappiness. He should make the order and suggested that the parents would be wise if they agreed.

SHOWERS OF MOLTEN LEAD.

NORFOLK MANSION BURNT DOWN.

Lynford Hall, Thetford, Norfolk, a large mansion built in the Elizabethan style, was destroyed by fire.

The fire started in the servants' wing, and despite the efforts of the Brandon and Thetford fire brigades, spread rapidly to the main building.

The work of the firemen was rendered dangerous by showers of molten lead from the roof. The mansion was used by the Eastern Counties Breeding Estates, Ltd., as an agricultural college for the training of people taking up agriculture in Australia.

About twenty students were in the building, but all escaped uninjured.

CABLE AND WIRELESS SERVICES.

GROWING IMPATIENCE IN SERVICES.

CONFERENCES TO LAST ANOTHER MONTH.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, May 17th.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin in response to questions in the House of Commons to-day, promised facilities for discussing the cable and wireless services on May 21st, but pointed out that as far as a discussion of the Imperial Conference was concerned, the Government was unable to make a statement.

The Imperial Conference had not concluded its deliberations, and it was not likely that the end would be seen for at least a month. It was impossible for the Government to make an announcement until the conclusion of the Conference.

EMIGRATION TO U.S.

QUOTA POSTPONED FOR 12 MONTHS.

THOUSANDS HELD UP.

Many of the 50,000 Britons who have applied for permission to settle in the United States have had their hopes of an early departure dashed to the ground by cables received from America by the shipping companies in London.

They announce that the President has signed a Bill postponing the date on which a new quota becomes effective. This quota would increase the allotment as regards Great Britain and Northern Ireland from 34,007 to 68,894 a year. The Bill postpones by twelve months the new quota, so that the old quota will rule during the United States fiscal year beginning on July 1st next.

Thousands of people who were hoping to leave for America this summer will probably be in England for at least another year. To many of these applicants it will mean real hardship.

18 Months To Wait.

So great is the queue of British people who want to settle in the United States that anyone applying to the United States Consul for an immigration visa certificate will probably have his name on the consul's waiting list for roughly 18 months.

On the basis of 68,894 admissions a year, application would probably have ensured entry to the United States in about 10 months' time. A Daily Mail reporter was informed by the American Consulate authorities in Glasgow that in the Glasgow area, which includes the south-west of Scotland, there is a waiting list of 5,000 people who wish to emigrate to America.

The waiting list for Dundee and Edinburgh is 12,000.—Daily Mail.

SECRETS OF SUCCESS.

LORD HERBERT SCOTT'S 10 POINTS FOR YOUNG MEN.

Lord Herbert Scott, the new president of the London Chamber of Commerce, is a striking instance of a peer and a public school and university man who has made a success in business.

He is a director of seven companies, including Rolls-Royce, Ltd., the Tiltbury Contracting and Dredging Co., Ltd., and the Sun Life Assurance Society.

To a Daily Mail reporter he gave the following points which he considers every young man ambitious to make his mark in business should study:

Charm of manner and tact.

Concentration.

Self-confidence (but not too much egotism).

Education. (A highly educated man does not always make the best business man, and I do not regard a university education as essential. A university man often finds that he is starting in business too late, and university life is inclined to give a man an aloof and casual manner, which is not useful in business.)

Imagination. (But not the artistic temperament.)

Experience. (A knowledge of human nature and the art of knowing how to deal with men.)

Industry.

Health. (A careful observance of the laws of health, particularly diet.)

Judgment. (And a capacity for taking quick decisions.)

Observation.

Lord Herbert Scott, who is 56, is a brother of the Duke of Buccleuch.

TENNIS LEAGUE.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

Weather permitting, another full programme of matches will be carried out to-day in the three Divisions. Two fine ties should be seen in the Senior Division. Craignower entertain the University at Happy Valley and in view of the capital performance of the latter last week when they defeated Kowloon, their chances of beating their hosts are very good. K. T. San, F. A. Redmond, Dr. R. E. Tottenham, A. A. Rumjahn, Chong Tuck Wing and Lim Peng Chin certainly make a strong team and it is fortunate that the three Chinese exponents, who are included in the University team of sportsmen visiting Manila shortly, will not be leaving until Sunday. Against this team Craignower will muster their best. T. Lay has dropped out of the team and has intimated that he will not be playing for the rest of the season. The home Club will, therefore, be represented by H. D. Rumjahn, S. A. Hamid, J. A. Cassimboy, J. W. Leonard, Dr. S. A. M. Sapher and O. Ismail. A close match is anticipated.

M.B.K. meet the Hong Kong Cricket Club on the latter's courts. Another close match is anticipated. The Hong Kong side includes Major Stevenson who turned out for the U.S.R.C. last season, and a newcomer, MacEachran. Their team will probably be composed of Major Stevenson, Rev. F. Alexander, MacEachran, Sewell, A. D. Humphreys and Henderson. M.B.K. has quite a strong side and will probably win.

The Chinese Recreation Club will be at home to the Kowloon Cricket Club and should win without difficulty.

Other Matches.

Only four matches will be played in the "B" Division, as Craignower completed their tie with the Chinese two days ago. The Indians meet the Hong Kong Cricket Club at Soekupoo and will probably win though the latter may spring a surprise. Club de Recreio should beat the Royal Engineers by a comfortable margin, while the Nippon Club and South China will be well matched. M.B.K. is expected to account for Kowloon.

In the "C" Division the two Portuguese teams are meeting, but as the sides have been well selected it is difficult to forecast who will emerge victorious. Much speculation is going on among their supporters and an exciting struggle is anticipated. Another eight matches are down for decision and the full programme for to-day is as follows:

"A" Division.
Craignower v. University.
Chinese R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.
Hong Kong C.C. v. M.B.K.

"B" Division.
M.B.K. v. Kowloon C.C.
Indian R.C. v. Hong Kong C.C.
Nippon v. South China A.A.
Recreio v. Royal Engineers.

"C" Division.
R.A.O.C. v. Indian R.C.
South China A.A. v. C.R.C. 1st.
Hong Kong C.C. v. Filipino Club.
Recreio 1st v. Recreio 2nd.
Kowloon C.C. v. Kowloon Indian T.C.
Y.M.C.A. v. Nippon.
Kennedy Road M.Q. v. Civil Service C.C.
Chinese R.C. 2nd v. R.A.M.C.

BRITISH RIDING SUCCESS.

MILITARY TEAM WIN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BAUSKIA, May 18th.
At the International riding meeting the British military team won the *Prix des Nations*, beating French, Polish, Belgian and Swiss competitors.

INTERNATIONAL SOCCER.

ENGLAND BEAT FRANCE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, May 17th.
In the international soccer match played at Paris England beat France by 5 goals to 1.

GOLF.

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

SUNDAY'S STARTING TIMES AT FANLING.

9.24 a.m. A. B. Purves and F. A. Redmond.
9.29 " B. J. Lacon and A. M. Horder.
9.32 " S. T. Butlin and N. K. Littlejohn.
9.36 " E. A. Simon and C. B. Morrison.
9.40 " F. C. Fowle and B. P. MacMahon.
9.44 " J. Cameron and K. S. Morrison.
9.48 " A. B. Raworth and E. Davidson.
9.52 " E. H. Andrewes and E. C. Frederick.
9.56 " F. D. Pearce and W. D. Brown.
10.00 " J. P. Sherry and W. A. Weight.
10.04 " E. R. Hallifax and P. W. Massey.

LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP FINALISTS.

1,000 GUINEA SURPRISES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

The finalists in the Ladies Open Championship are Miss Leblan of France, and Miss Marshall, who enters from Sandy Lodge.

Miss Leblan has been the second best lady player in France for a year or two now, but she has not before been regarded as quite the same class as Miss de la Chaume, or the leading British ladies. Nor would many have picked Miss Marshall as a finalist before the start of the Championship.

Both players had close matches in the semi-final round against players of greater fame and experience in big competitive golf, and both just got home on the last green.

Miss Leblan (France) beat Miss Wilson (Notre) by 1 hole.

Miss Marshall (Sandy Lodge) beat Miss Judith Fowler (Harrington) by 1 hole.

Thousand Guinea Tournament.

The slaughter of the great ones still continues at Leeds, and among the defeated are Ernest Whitcombe, at the hands of his brother, Charles, Ray, Duncan, and Compton. Cotton beat Ray decisively in the first round, but lost to Tom Williamson in the second.

First Round: Charles Whitcombe beat Ernest Whitcombe by two and one; T. H. Cotton defeated Ted Ray by four and two.

Second Round: Tom Williamson (Notre) beat T. Cotton by two and one; J. Bradbeer (Porter's Park) beat George Duncan by two holes; W. Davies (Prenton) beat Archie Compton by four and two.

MURDERED RECLUSE.

WOMAN IN ANGRY COURT DUEL.

GIRL OF 13 IN THE BOX.

STRAITON, near Bude.

There was an extraordinary scene between a Cornish woman and a solicitor in the quaint little police court, when William John Maynard, aged 38, a rabbit-trapper, was charged on remand with the murder of Richard Francis Roadley, aged 84, in his lonely cottage at Titson, a hamlet near by.

Mrs. Lily Bassett was being cross-examined by Mr. W. G. G. Seagar, Maynard's solicitor, as to what she did on a particular day, when she suddenly shouted out that she would not answer any more of the solicitor's silly questions or put up with his insults.

There was a roar of laughter, in which Maynard heartily joined. Mr. Seagar could be heard appealing to the magistrates, and Mr. Sefton Cohen, prosecuting for the Crown, asked the witness not to get too angry with Mr. Seagar.

"Well, I am angry," cried Mrs. Bassett, with a defiant toss of her head.

Smiling Prisoner.

The day's proceedings were one long series of tense and angry dialogue and dramatic surprises. Maynard, smartly dressed in a blue suit, seemed very amused—vastly different from the grinning figure in blankets brought to the court for the first hearing of the case. He sat on a chair beside his solicitor.

The first duel was between Mr. Seagar and Dr. Gerald Roche Lynch, the Home Office expert, who gave evidence about bloodstains on Maynard's clothes. Mr. Seagar wanted to know how Dr. Lynch knew there were human bloodstains.

Pretty little Phyllis Hicks, aged 13, broke down completely under the examination and had to be allowed to rest before completing her evidence.

The magistrates decided to adjourn soon after 7 o'clock, and agreed to sit next day from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. in an effort to get the case finished.

LAWN BOWLS.

PROGRAMME FOR TO-DAY.

Playing fields are in poor condition owing to the bad weather of the last few days and unless there is an entire absence of rain to-day the programme will probably not be completed. In the principal fixture at Taikoo, the Craignower senior bowlers will be at a disadvantage as the match will be played on the tennis court during temporary resting of the bowling green.

To-day's lawn bowls programme is as under:—

Division I.
Kowloon C.C. v. Police R.C.
Kowloon Dockers R.C. v. Civil Service C.C.
Taikoo R.C. v. Craignower C.C.

Division II.
Civil Service C.C. v. Club de Recreio "B".
East Point R.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.
Royal H.K.Y.C. v. Kowloon C.C.
Club de Recreio "A" v. Taikoo R.C.

DAVIS CUP.

ITALY BEATS RUMANIA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Rome, May 18th.
In the second round of the Davis Cup Italy eliminated Rumania by three matches to none.

£6,000,000 MOTOR ROAD.

BIRMINGHAM-BIRKENHEAD PROJECT.

BIRMINGHAM, April 18th.

A scheme for the construction of a motor way connecting Birmingham with Birkenhead was considered by a meeting held at Birmingham to-day, representative of business interests in Birmingham, Wolverhampton, the Potteries towns, Birkenhead, and Liverpool, when support for the project was promised.

The proposed road would have its southern terminus on the Smethwick side of Birmingham and at the other end would link up with the Mersey Tunnel. The total length would be about 30 miles, and the cost approximately £6,000,000. Junctions would be made to all the most important roads.

Sir David Brooks, chairman of the provisional committee, explained that preliminary work, such as surveying the road, scheduling the land and properties which would have to be acquired, and promoting a Parliamentary Bill, could not be carried out for less than £50,000. If that sum could be raised and the necessary Parliamentary powers obtained, there seemed little doubt that the scheme could be financed and carried out. The revenue would be derived from tolls, and it was a fair assumption that a farthing per ton mile would be sufficient to produce a revenue to cover the operating expenses and the sinking fund, make provision for renewals, and provide a reasonable return on the capital invested.

The meeting agreed to appoint six additional representative business men on the joint provisional committee.

MURDERED LITTLE GIRL.

DURHAM CORONER ON SUSPICIONS.

The inquest on Mary Jane Sewell, aged six years and nine months, was concluded at Sunnybrow, Durham.

The body of the girl, who had been assaulted was found in a field near her home.

This was the fifth sitting of the court. Before the last adjournment the coroner, Mr. J. T. Proude, put a series of questions to the mother as to her having sought a situation in domestic service. Mrs. Sewell then said it was true that she had represented herself to be a single woman.

After police evidence as to the discovery of the child, Mr. Proude, addressing the jury said: "Our sympathies in the first instance were for the parents, but then came to light certain facts which created suspicion and disclosed the fact that the child might not be wanted and it was inconvenient to have her."

"It created suspicion, very grave suspicion, but you cannot and a verdict on suspicion. The only safe course is that you come to the conclusion that this child was murdered by some person or persons unknown."

"This is probably not a very satisfactory conclusion, but it is, in the circumstances, the only safe one. It may not end here."

The jury, after an absence of five minutes, returned a verdict of *Suffocation caused by a stranger-child being forced into the child's mouth by some person unknown—Willful Murder.*

MRS. DYNE LOSES.

JUDGE'S CENSURE IN FRANCES CASE.

"BIRDS OF PREY."

MR. DYNE MAY BE SUED.

Strong condemnation of "reckless speculation" in foreign currency was made by Lord Justice Scrutton in the Court of Appeal in dismissing the appeal of Mrs. Dyne in the notorious "frances case."

Lord Justice Scrutton described as "birds of prey" and "beneath contempt" those people who gathered together, after the war to purchase or sell foreign currency absolutely indifferent to the damage they were doing to the country concerned.

He also referred to the fact that prominent Foreign Office officials were concerned in this case—Mr. J. D. Gregory was dismissed from his post as Assistant Under-Secretary, and Lieut-Comdr. Maxse, a second secretary, was severely reprimanded and ordered to forfeit three years' seniority.

The Government and the Civil Service, said Lord Justice Scrutton, had dealt with the matter properly in so far as they had declared that such transactions were a disgrace to the Civil Service, and the appropriate punishment had fallen on those officials who engaged in them.

It is probable that the courts will have to test the further issue whether Mr. Dyne is responsible for his wife's debts to Messrs. Ironmonger & Co.

THE JUDGMENT.

SPECULATORS WHO NEARLY RUINED FRANCE.

The appeal was heard by Lord Justices Scrutton, Greer, and Sankey.

Mrs. Dyne appealed from the verdict and judgment entered at the trial in the King's Bench Division before Mr. Justice Horridge and a special jury in favour of Messrs. Ironmonger & Co., foreign bankers, of 2, Angel-court, Throgmorton-street, E.C. 4, for £38,938, which they alleged to be due from Mrs. Dyne in respect of her dealings on speculation in foreign currencies.

Mrs. Dyne pleaded as a defence the Gaming Act, alleging that the contracts she had entered into with Messrs. Ironmonger & Co. were merely gambling transactions. Lord Justice Scrutton giving judgment said that the appeal was brought substantially on two grounds: (1) That there was misdirection of the judge; (2) That the verdict was against the weight of the evidence.

The transactions were not of a very pleasant nature. After the war, while Europe was recovering from financial earthquakes, the value of the coin or currency of most of the countries in Europe fluctuated extremely.

It was possible to make very large profits, and equally possible to sustain very large losses, by speculating in foreign exchanges.

Reckless Speculators.

As would be expected where there was a possibility of profit the birds of prey gathered together. A series of reckless speculators, absolutely indifferent to the damage that they were doing, bought and sold foreign currency to a very large extent with the most disastrous results to the country in whose exchange they were speculating.

The purchases and sales on foreign exchanges in respect of French currency went near to bringing that country to ruin.

Benjamin Contempt.

Lord Justice Scrutton continued: "People who indulge in these speculations are beneath contempt, except that they ought to be condemned."

They are utterly selfish and have no regard at all to the enormous injury they are inflicting on the legitimate trade in the country in whose exchange they are speculating.

The unfortunate result of such speculation is one of the reasons which makes this case unpleasant. Another reason which has made this case very unpleasant and notorious is that in the particular set of speculations in which Mrs. Dyne was concerned more than one prominent official of the Foreign Office was concerned.

It has nothing to do with the legal merits, and I propose to say nothing more about it except that the Government and the Civil Service have dealt with the matter properly in so far as they have declared that such transactions were a disgrace to the Civil Service, and the appropriate punishment has fallen upon those officials who were engaged in it.

He was not going to attempt to define exhaustively what was a gambling and gambling contract.

(Continued on next column.)

CRIME "QUEEN'S"

FATE.

HOTEL GASSING VICTIM.

WOMAN'S TRAIL OF SWINDLES.

DRAMATIC LAST LETTER.

An inquest will be held at Paddington, says a Home paper, on Mrs. Millicent Nowell, who died in St. Mary's Hospital five days after she had been found suffering from gas poisoning in a Bayswater hotel.

A youth stated to be her son was found in a bed in the same room. He is now recovering in hospital.

Mystery surrounded the identity of the woman, and because of this her finger-prints were taken after death and submitted to Scotland Yard.

It was discovered that she had had an amazing record of crime and had been in prison a number of times. Among the names she had used when staying at hotels in England, Wales, and on the Continent were Mrs. M. Moxon, Emily Martineau, Mary Douglas, Millicent Howard.

The woman possessed considerable charm and was easily able to impose on persons of experience with a story of estates which she said exceeded £50,000 in value and to which a relative of hers was entitled.

Solicitor Duped.

She duped a Llandudno solicitor, whom she engaged to recover an estate in Cornwall. Twice she obtained substantial sums from him. She moved from place to place, leaving a trail of debts. Shortly before she arrived at the Bayswater hotel she had stayed at a large hotel at Nice.

The police are anxious to get into communication with a man stated to be her husband, who had travelled with her to many places.

It is known that she was at the end of her financial resources, but a letter written by her at the hotel and addressed to "Harry" asked him not to worry about money because he could have all she possessed. She said that as the man had taken away all that made life sweet for her she was going to end all and that she could not live to see dishonour come to him. She added: "I Love Life."

My son will be with those who once loved and honoured his mother, and I know you will be well looked after. You are an adventurer after money and have caused me great sorrow. I cannot face life. Until I met you I loved life, and all it gave me.

Mrs. Nowell and the young man arrived at the hotel during the second week in March. She signed the book in the names of Mrs. and Mr. Nowell, and gave as her address, Hotel Promenade des Anglais, Nice. Stating that her son was subject to fits she had two beds placed in her room.

Mrs. Nowell paid the first week's bill and then told the managers that she was coming into an estate in the Argentine valued at £25,000. She was visited by a man and received several telegrams.

At the end of the second week Mrs. Nowell gave an excuse for not settling her account, that money was being sent her, and that she would pay the full amount in a few days.

There were similar examples in commercial matters as in the case of goods to be delivered three months hence, the price of which would depend on how the market went whether the seller would get out with a profit or not. That would depend on matters over which he had no control, but if the contract was the result of the delivery of goods or the passing of property it was not gaming or wagering.

It was impossible to say that Mr. Justice Horridge had put the wrong question to the jury. In explaining that question he had put the matters to the jury with substantial accuracy. "The summing-up has been criticised by Mr. Jovitt, who appeared for the lady who had no money," observed Lord Justice Scrutton, "but the directions to the jury were accurate."

"Could Not Trust Mrs. Dyne."

Messrs. Ironmonger had had to decide whether Mrs. Dyne was a woman whose financial stability could be relied on on whose sense of honour could be trusted. They found they could trust neither.

The jury, he gathered, did not accept the testimony of Mrs. Dyne and there were ample materials on which they could base the conclusion they had reached. The appeal would be accordingly dismissed with costs.

Lord Justice Greer said that after some hesitation and with very considerable reluctance, he came to the same conclusion. He agreed that the appeal should be dismissed.

Lord Justice Sankey also gave judgment dismissing the appeal with costs.

ARE THERE ANY LETTERS FOR YOU?

UNCLAIMED CORRESPONDENCE, ETC., AT THE G.P.O.

THE OFFICIAL LIST FOR SATURDAY.

A General Post Office notification, issued yesterday, gives the following particulars with regard to unclaimed correspondence, etc., waiting at the Post Office, and also unclaimed radio telegrams at the Radio Telegraph Office, Government Building:—

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SUNDAY, 20th May, 1928:—
8.30 p.m.—Mr. May Bible Class.
8.15 p.m.—Service Men's Hour.
MONDAY, 21st May, 1928:—
8.00 p.m.—Meeting of Ladies' Church Aid.
WEDNESDAY, 23rd May, 1928:—
8.15 p.m.—Gospel Meeting for Service Men only.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.
SUNDAY, May 20th, 1928:—
Morning at 10.15 a.m.—
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MAY 20th, 1928, Sunday after Ascension.—
Holy Communion at 8 a.m.
Auxiliary Service at 9.30 a.m.
Church's Service at 10.15 a.m.
Peak Sunday School at 10 a.m.
Matins at 11 a.m.
Prayer:—Rev. H. V. Koop.
Holy Communion at 12 noon.
Evangelism at 6 p.m.
Preacher:—The Dean.

UNION CHURCH (KENTON ROAD).

SUNDAY SERVICES, May 20th:—
Sunday School at 9 a.m.
Morning Service at 10.30 a.m.—
Hymns:—459, 470, 487 and 519.
Evening service at 6 p.m.—
Hymns:—24, 165, 433 and 333.
Preacher at both services:—Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.
WEDNESDAY, May 23rd, at 8.15:—
Soldiers and Sailors' Christian Association.
FANAR, May 25th, at 5.30:—Minister's Bible Class.
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Preacher the Vicar.
6.00 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.
Preacher the Vicar.
MONDAY, 21st May, 1928:—
8.00 p.m.—Reception to bid farewell to Mr. Mrs. and Miss Mitchell.
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SUNDAY, May 20th, 1928:—
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Hong Kong Observatory, May 18th.

	Previous Day	On Day	On Day
	at 2 p.m.	6 a.m.	3 p.m.
Barometer...	29.78	29.80	29.82
Temperature...	74	75	73
Humidity...	87	85	85
Wind...	8	4	4
Direction...	S	E	E
Force...	2	4	4
Weather...	C	OB	OB
Rain...	0.55	0.10	0.40

Highest open-air Temperature, 17th: 87°
Lowest open-air Temperature, 18th: 74°

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F= Fog; E=Lightning; M= Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From May 19th to 25th, 1928.

High Water. Low Water.

Day	Time	Height	Time	Height
Sat.	19	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
Sun.	20	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
Mon.	21	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
Tues.	22	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
Wed.	23	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
Thur.	24	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
Fri.	25	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.

LORD TERRINGTON IN COURT.

CHATS WITH HIS WIFE.

£70,000 FRAUD CHARGES.

A little more than half an hour after he had been brought to Mansion House Police Court on April 21st for the initial proceedings in connection with a number of charges of fraudulent conversion of money entrusted to him in his capacity of solicitor Lord Terrington was on his way in a taxicab to Brixton Prison.

He had passed the previous night at Moor-lane police station, Cripplegate, whither he had been taken immediately on his arrival in London from France in the charge of two detectives.

At breakfast time Lady Terrington had visited him at the police station and she and a nurse accompanied him to the police court.

While he waited for the proceedings to begin Lord Terrington sat with his wife within a yard of the dock and chatted smilingly with her. He wore the conventional dress of a City man—dark morning suit, smart navy blue overcoat, and butterfly collar.

A high colour suffused his face, but there was no sign of agitation in his manner.

Lady Terrington, who was in black, was a figure of restraint, and a black veil hid her pale face.

In the Dock.

As soon as Sir Louis Newton, the magistrate, had taken his seat, the usher helped Lord Terrington to rise from his chair and guided him to another place just within the dock.

Lord Terrington made the few steps to it very slowly, and sank on to it very wearily.

"This case, sir," said the clerk to Sir Louis, "is brought here on a warrant issued on February 25th last year by Sir Rowland Blades, the then Lord Mayor. It cites a large number of charges, all under the Larceny Act."

Mr. E. Clayton, for the Public Prosecutor, announced that he proposed to offer only evidence of arrest. The charges—the details of which filled seven long charge-sheets and dealt with 21 alleged instances of fraudulent conversions involving a total amount of about £70,000—were not read.

"Anxious To Return."

Evidence of arrest was given by Detective-Inspector George Stubbs, who, with Detective-Sergeant Hogg, took over Lord Terrington from the French police on his extradition.

Inspector Stubbs said that when he told Lord Terrington he was to be taken to London "to answer a number of charges of fraudulent conversion" Lord Terrington replied: "I am anxious to return to London. It was on my way there thirteen months ago, but was arrested by the French police."

When the warrant for his arrest was read to him Lord Terrington declared: "I deny having fraudulently converted any money. I am at present unable to comprehend the mass of figures involved. It is all a matter of accountancy, and without my books I can say nothing."

In reply to Mr. Harold Simmons, for Lord Terrington, Inspector Stubbs said that to the best of his belief the warrant for Lord Terrington's arrest was issued while he was in Monaco.

State Of Health.

Did you know from your information that by such easy stages as were available he made his way forthwith to Boulogne?—There was some delay but I know that he did proceed there.

You know that the delay was due to his state of health—I cannot dispute that, of course. When he arrived at Boulogne he was anxious to go to England, but was prevented in consequence of the extradition warrant!—Yes.

Are you aware that the French doctor appointed by the courts refused to allow him to leave Boulogne for eleven months?—I only know this from newspaper reports.

Have you any doubt that he was detained in Boulogne under doctor's orders?—I agree entirely. The extradition proceedings they would have taken some considerable time?—Undoubtedly.

And as a result of his acquiescence the proceedings took two minutes?—I understood that that was the time involved.

Under Care Of Nurse.

Inspector Stubbs said he was aware that the City Police surgeon had given Lord Terrington his attention during the night, and that he had also been under the care of a nurse all night.

(Continued on next Column).

WHY COMDR. DANIEL LEFT THE NAVY.

"NO PROSPECT OF ADVANCEMENT."

"MUST SEEK A NEW PROFESSION."

It will be remembered that a *Reuter* cable briefly announced that Commander Henry Martin Daniel, D.S.O., one of the two officers dismissed their ship by the *Royal Oak* court-martial, decided to leave the Service.

In stating his decision to a *Daily Mail* reporter Commander Daniel said:

I have been punished for putting on paper what strictly speaking should have been a verbal report in confidence to my captain. I have ascertained to-day that as a result of the court-martial sentence there can be no prospect of advancement for me in the Navy.

Therefore, much as I love the Service, it is imperative that I should seek a new profession at once, for the cost of defending my honour has taxed my financial resources to the utmost.

I appreciate the promise of the Admiralty of future employment, a promise which is most exceptional in view of the sentence passed upon me, but I have to consider what that employment is likely to be, and I now know that it cannot be employment such as I honourably desire.

The commander attributes what he describes as a catastrophe, so far as he is concerned, to the difference between himself and others on "the conception of the meaning of that abstract quality called discipline."

As to Admiral Collard, whom the Admiralty have placed on the retired list, the commander said:

I have always maintained that my personal relationships with Admiral Collard were friendly and pleasant, and I still think that the principle for which I made my stand could have been safeguarded without turning the storm in a teacup into a scandal reflecting upon the Service as a whole.

A *Daily Mail* Special Correspondent recently in Gibraltar, wrote:

I think I am justified in saying that as a result of conversations I had with Admiral Collard "he holds exactly the same feeling towards Commander Daniel as the commander does to him. He told me after the courts had pronounced their decisions: 'My personal relationships with Commander Daniel have always been of the friendliest, and as an officer I regard him as one of the most brilliant of the younger generation.'"

Commander Daniel is 39 years of age and has for 25 years been an officer of the Navy. He was promoted to the rank of commander at the early age of 33, after brilliant service in the Baltic, where he won the D.S.O. for his part in saving Libau when it was besieged by the Bolsheviks and a nondescript army under Von der Goltz.

When Mr. Simmons asked Inspector Stubbs whether he "knew that when Lord Terrington arrived at the police station he was scarcely in a physical condition to answer any question, or speak properly," the inspector said: "No doubt he was very fatigued."

And have you heard from the surgeon that his condition is extremely grave?

At this question Lord Terrington turned pale and his fingers went nervously to his throat.

"I think," said Sir Louis Newton, "you had better get that evidence direct from the doctor," and he then ordered a remand until to-day week.

Mr. Simmons raised the question of bail. He declared that Lord Terrington was anxious to meet the charges. "And there need be no apprehension—subject to his being alive—that he would not surrender to his bail. He would be in proper hands and have proper nursing and such attention as is necessary in the circumstances, and I am prepared to find substantial bail."

Opposing bail, Mr. Clayton spoke of "the seriousness of the charges," and declared that Lord Terrington would be perfectly well looked after in prison, where he would have the best medical attention.

As to whether he would appear," he added, "one has only got to look at the way he left this country in 1926. Then, I understand, his heart was bad; but he managed to get out of the country in a way of which you are probably aware if you have read the information."

Rail Refused.

Sir Louis Newton said it seemed to him that as the Director of Public Prosecutions opposed bail he would also have to oppose it at the moment. But a further application could be made in due course.

He directed that certain personal property belonging to Lord Terrington could be handed over to his wife, and that she might see him.

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CHONG & DALRY	"YINGCHOW"	On 27th May	Noon
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Yendai Maru, Japanese str., 2,067 tons, Capt. S. Babe, from Saigon, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B55—M.B.K.

May 18th.
Chung Hing, Chinese str., 240 tons, Capt. Leung Rung, from Kwong Wan, with a general cargo, lying at Saikong Wharf—Hong On & Co.

Fooshing, British str., 1,423 tons, Capt. A. Dockwray, from Canton, in ballast, lying at buoy No. B52—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Hakozaki Maru, Japanese str., 6,310 tons, Capt. T. Sakine, from Yokohama and Shanghai. The latter port she left on May 15th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A1—N.Y.K.

Halvard, British str., 1,217 tons, Capt. C. W. Shores, from Saigon, which port she left on May 13th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B36—Wo Fat Shing.

Helenus, British str., 4,810 tons, Capt. W. H. Probert, from Singapore, which port she left on May 13th, with a general cargo, lying at Holt's Wharf—B. & S.

Mito Maru, Japanese str., 4,357 tons, Capt. S. Kuba, from Singapore, which port she left on May 12th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A31—N.Y.K.

Raymond Poincare, Japanese str., 1,197 tons, Capt. Loree, from Port Ledon and Kwong Chow Wan, with a cargo, lying at buoy No. C44—Yik Cheong S.S. Co.

Soochow, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. G. A. Evans, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B5—B. & S.

Tijmanoo, Dutch str., 3,510 tons, Capt. J. Schol, from Batavia and Balikpapan. The latter port she left on May 12th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A6—J.C.C.L.

Fulcrum, Dutch str., 707 tons, Capt. E. de Minick, from Canton, lying at Talkoktui—A.P.C.

West Cadron, American str., 3,564 tons, Capt. C. J. Swenson, from Portland, Ore and Shanghai. The latter port she left on May 15th, with a general cargo, amounting to 2,144 tons, lying at buoy No. A25—Columbia Pacific S.S. Co.

CLEARANCES.

May 18th.
Daviken, for Singapore.
Hui Hong, for Swatow.
Hakozaki Maru, for Singapore.
Kanchow, for Canton.
Kueichow, for Weihaiwei.
Hatipara, for Singapore.
Mito Maru, for Shanghai.
Raymond Poincare, for Canton.
Shiu Hing, for Macao.
Soleiken, for Saigon.
Soochow, for Shanghai.
Tijmanoo, for Takao.
Times Maru, for Canton.
Vulcanus, for Foochow.
Valavilla, for Haiphong.
West Cadron, for Manila.

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A party of 30 Californians under the direction of the D. F. Robertson Travel Bureau, Los Angeles, Calif.—will arrive by the s.s. *President Wilson* to-day and on a six months tour around the world. Included in the party was Mr. H. M. Snyder, a well-known millionaire and real estate owner at Los Angeles.

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PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.
The following European passengers arrived here on May 17th, from Calcutta by the s.s. *Santhia*: Mrs. Henrichs and infant, Miss Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Vier, Mr. W. H. Daub, Mr. and Miss Morris, Mr. D. Dathoe.

Departures.
The following passengers left on May 18th by the s.s. *Taiyang* for Australian ports, via Manila: Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Reynolds and son, Mrs. E. Webb and the Misses Webb, Mrs. K. S. Hills, Miss H. Hollis, Master S. Hill, Master P. Hill, Mr. H. J. Jackson, Mr. R. T. Crowe, Mr. J. Chalmers, Mr. F. H. J. Trayer, Mr. H. J. Anderson, Mr. P. T. Susman, Mrs. L. V. Hutton, Mrs. L. C. Lewis, Mr. E. Cock, Mrs. J. C. Early, Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Joe, Mr. T. W. S. Parsons, Mr. H. Parsons, Mrs. V. M. Cheah, Mr. H. C. Parsons, Miss M. Pearson, Mrs. How Hoy, Miss N. Y. Tong, A. Ho, Mrs. S. Ho, Miss Lee Hin Mun, O. Claud, Wong Dong, Goo Yow, Chee Hoy, Chin Quee, Wm. Lee Jang Sing, Wing Chon, C. Gee Sing, Wang Tsai, Harry Moo, Hoy Sing, Ah Shung, Fook Sue, Leung Ak, Jack Kee, Sam Hoare, Lee Gum, Miss Mary Long Shi, Miss D. Lum, Mrs. Jay Sim, Chai Wai, Master T. L. C. Wai, L. S. O. Wai, Dr. K. Wing, Chow Chong, Mow Fook, C. P. Ting, Mrs. C. P. Ting, Miss H. H. Ting, Ham Tigh, Shee Wing.

BACK FROM WORLD CRUISE.

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TWELVE BETROTHALS ON "EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA."

SOUTHAMPTON, April 23rd. Parrots, monkeys, canaries, ukuleles, chips of stone from the Great Wall of China, bottles of holy water from the Ganges, Japanese kimono, moonstones from Ceylon, mandarin hats, and ten tied up in picturesque bundles were among the problems that confronted the customs officers here this afternoon when the C.F.L. liner *Empress of Australia* returned after a six months' cruise round the world. The *Empress of Australia* visited Hong Kong in the course of her tour.

In spite of the fact that some of the parrots had been trained to answer "No" when the Customs official asked the question: "Have you anything to declare?" hundreds of pounds must have been collected during this afternoon.

Twelve engagements and no divorces were reported by the ship's purser. Passengers enjoyed the greatest diversity of weather, ranging from a snowstorm in Naples to brilliant sunshine in Egypt.

Christmas Day was spent in the Holy Land and New Year's Eve in Cairo. Miss Helen Bourne, one of the passengers, operated the lever elevating the *Empress of Australia* from the Pacific to the Miraflores Lake, a height of 54 feet, while passing through the Panama Canal.

"It has been one of the most wonderful trips I have ever made," said the captain, Commander Latta. "Weather conditions were wonderful and we did not once meet a rough sea."

The Customs House resembled an Eastern market this afternoon when all the spoils of the journey were examined. The problems of the silk duties caused much anxious deliberation, and many curries were left behind by passengers unwilling to pay the duties. A ukulele was among the deserted spoils.

The first engagement on board was made public eight weeks after the vessel had left England, and the other eleven followed in quick succession.

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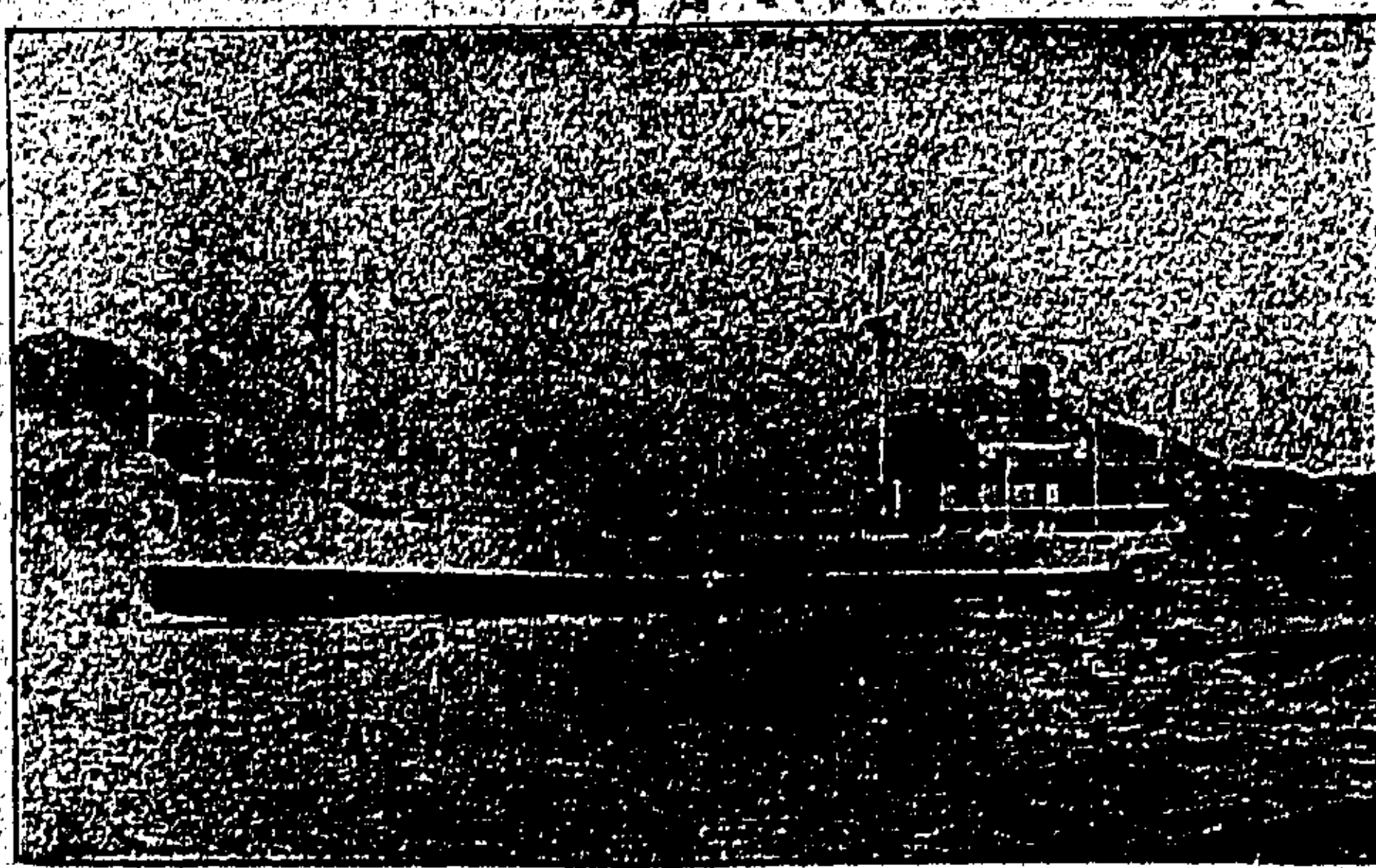
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OSAKA via AMOI, SHAL MOJI & KOBE	"NAMSANG"	Sun., 3rd June, at 7 a.m.
CANTON	"CHAKSANG"	Mon., 21st May, at 8 p.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"FOOKSANG" "BOSANG"	Tues., 22nd May, at 3 p.m. Tues., 29th May, at 3 p.m.
BANDAKAN	"HINSANG"	Tues., 28th May, at 3 p.m.
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EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Aug 29	Sept 1	Sept 4	Sept 8	Sept 15
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Sept 12	Sept 15	Sept 18	Sept 20	Sept 28
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Shipping News Daily Statement, Waterfront News, Vessels Expected, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

CARGO RETURNS STILL
REMAIN LOW.

BRITISH SHIPS CARRY BEST CARGO.

The general freight returns for both Hong Kong and ports beyond the Colony were below average yesterday. The through cargo return, however, was better than the previous day. British vessels were best cargo carriers. The returns showed 13 arrivals and 17 departures for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday.

General merchandise discharged from twelve vessels amounted to 9,048 tons, and three British ships contributed 3,021 tons. The s.s. *Santhia* discharged the heaviest cargo with 2,509 tons of general cargo from Calcutta and Singapore. The s.s. *West Cadron* (American) also had 2,144 tons from Portland (Oregon) and Shanghai.

Through freights carried by eleven steamers totalled 16,633 tons, of which 6,822 tons were carried by four British vessels. The best return was shown by the s.s. *Santhia* with 3,017 tons of general cargo, while the s.s. *Fendur Maru* from Dairen carried 2,840 tons of coal.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

	Arr.	Dep.
British	5	6
Japanese	4	3
Nonwegian	1	3
Chinese	1	3
Dutch	1	1
American	1	1
Total	13	17

VESSELS EXPECTED.

American Mail Line.
President Grant, May 21st.

Australian-Oriental Line.
Changhe, June 8th.
Taiiping, July 10th.

Bank Line.
City of Chester, May 27th.
City of Tokyo, June 9th.
City of Bedford, June 22nd.
City of Peking, July 7th.
City of Osaka, July 13th.
City of New Castle, June 15th.
City of Evansville, July 30th.
City of Winnipeg, August 4th.
City of Delhi, September 1st.
City of Glasgow, September 8th.

Ben Line.
Benvorlich, May 23rd.

British-India and Apcar Line.
Taima, May 24th.
Takliwa, May 31st.
Tikawa, May 31st.
Takada, June 5th.
Talamba, June 15th.

Canadian Pacific Line.
Empress of Asia, May 25th.

Dollar Steamship Line.
President Wilson, to-day.
President Lincoln, May 21st.
President Cleveland, May 25th.

Blue Funnel Line.

Helena, to-day.
Orestes, to-morrow.
Tencer, May 22nd.
Perseus, May 27th.
Menelaus, May 28th.
Pyrrhus, May 30th.
Hector, May 31st.
Rhesus, June 8th.
Mentor, June 10th.
Tyndarus, June 10th.
Dardanus, June 13th.
Antenor, June 13th.
Odisseus, June 20th.
Diomed, June 28th.
Atrides, June 27th.
Antilochus, June 28th.
Glaucus, June 29th.
Proteus, July 3rd.
Lycos, July 8th.
Philoctetes, July 8th.
Ningehow, July 18th.
Achilles, July 21st.
Talthyphus, July 24th.
Theseus, July 25th.
Aeneas, July 30th.
Hermis, August 4th.
Heracles, August 8th.
Epigonus, August 22nd.
Sarpedon, August 23rd.
Macdon, September 19th.

East Asiatic Co., Copenhagen.

Peru, June 6th.
Siam, June 10th.
Danmark, July 16th.

Eastern and Australian Lines.

St. Albans, June 4th.
Arjuna, July 9th.

Glen Line.

Pembroke, May 28th.
Gleniffer, June 9th.
Glenhane, June 29th.
Cardigan, July 9th.
Glenogle, July 20th.

Hamburg-Amerika Linie and

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Ludendorff, May 25th.
Vogland, June 2nd.
Hindenburg, June 13th.
Albert Voelger, June 13th.
Rhein, June 24th.
Oldenburg, July 7th.

Java-China-Japan Line.

Tjiliwangi, May 21st.
Tjimanock, May 21st.
Tjikembang, May 21st.
Tjipanas, May 27th.
Tjiondori, May 29th.
Tjibodari, June 4th.
Tjibadak, June 4th.
Tjikarang, June 7th.
Tjitarong, June 18th.

Messageries Maritimes.

Si-king, to-day.
Athos II, to-day.
General Metzing, May 23rd.
Sphinx, June 5th.
Anger, June 16th.
Paul Leclat, July 3rd.

Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

Mishima Maru, May 22nd.
Toyo Maru, May 22nd.
Toyo Maru, May 22nd.
Moji Maru, May 28th.
Kamo Maru, May 28th.
Hakusan Maru, June 1st.
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Oder, August 15th.

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

Mr. W. Edley, the popular wharfinger of the Steamboat Company, is at present in the French Hospital, Causeway Bay, suffering from pleurisy. Mr. Edley has had several attacks of this complaint and it was hoped that he had been completely cured when he recently left hospital. His many friends will wish him speedy and complete recovery.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.

Asiatic deck passengers arriving in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday numbered 2,662. The passengers were carried by seven vessels.

Death From Heart Failure.

The master of the s.s. *Santhia* arriving here from Calcutta and Singapore reports the death of a Chinese passenger from tuberculosis. The vessel carried 760 Asiatic deck passengers.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* arrived at Manila yesterday (Friday), and is due to leave next Saturday, May 26th. She is expected at Hong Kong on Monday, May 28th, at 8 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. *Mongolia*, from Hong Kong, arrived at London on May 17th at 9 a.m.

The B.I. *Hatipara* will leave for Singapore, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta at 7 a.m. this (Saturday) morning.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

	Sunrise	Sunset
To-day	5.42 a.m.	6.53 p.m.
To-morrow	5.41 "	6.53 "
Monday	5.41 "	6.50 "

Peninsular and Oriental.

Lahore, to-day.
Devenka, May 21st.
Kidderpore, May 21st.
Mirzapore, May 21st.
Ranpura, May 21st.
Malwa, May 28th.
Alipore, May 31st.
Jaypore, June 2nd.
Nankin, June 8th.
Kashmir, June 17th.
Rawalpindi, June 31st.
Nellore, July 3rd.
Kashmir, July 8th.
Rajputana, July 19th.
Kalyan, August 2nd.
Naldora, August 19th.
Morca, September 13th.
Karmala, September 27th.
Macedonia, October 12th.

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Japanese Prince, June 3rd.
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Nanking, May 25th.
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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"LAHORE"	5,552	19th May	Mars, L'don, A'werp, Am, N'burg
"KIDDERPORE"	5,552	22nd May, Noon	Strait, Colombo, B'ay, & Karachi
"MALWA"	5,552	24th May	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"ALIPORE"	5,552	31st May	Strait, Colombo and Bombay
"JEYPORE"	5,552	2nd June	Mars, L'don, A'werp, Am, N'burg
"DELTA"	5,552	4th June	S'bay, Mars, L'don, & Antwerp
"MIRZAPORE"	5,552	19th June	Strait & Bombay
"RANPURA"	5,552	23rd June	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"NOVARA"	5,552	30th June	Mars, L'don, A'werp, Am, N'burg
"KASHMIR"	5,552	7th July	Mars, L'don, A'werp, Am, N'burg
"RAWALPINDI"	5,552	21st July	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"NANKIN"	5,552	28th July	Mars, L'don, A'werp, Am, N'burg
"KASHMIR"	5,552	4th Aug.	Mars, L'don, A'werp, Am, N'burg
"RAJPUTANA"	5,552	18th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"NALDERA"	5,552	1st Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KALYAN"	5,552	15th Sept.	Mars, L'don, & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	5,552	29th Sept.	Mars, L'don, & Antwerp
"MORCA"	5,552	13th Oct.	do.
"KARMALA"	5,552	27th Oct.	do.
"MACDONIA"	5,552	10th Nov.	do.
"KRYHER"	5,552	24th Nov.	do.
"MALWA"	5,552	8th Dec.	do.
"NALDERA"	5,552	22nd Dec.	do.

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BRITISH INDIA—APCAR SAILINGS

Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"TALMA"	10,000	28th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TAKLIWA"	7,856	4th June	do.
"SANTHIA"	7,754	12th June	do.

B.I.—Apcar line steamers have excellent accommodation for 1st and 2nd class passengers. All steamers are fitted with wireless and carry a qualified surgeon.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SOUTH)

Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"TALMA"	10,000	1st June	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	19th June	Island, Townsville, Brisbane,
"ARAFURA"	4,500	3rd Aug.	Sydney and Melbourne.
"TANDA"	4,500	31st Aug.	do.

